Information obtained from an open letter to the Bishops outside of the Church making appointments of Pastors or asof the A. M. E. Church, by Bishop S. L. Greene that when he signment of Bishops. came to Philadelphia in obedience to the order of the Bishops'

to regulate its internal affairs—and the present case must have the full support and cooperation of every Bishop, General eral Conference did that does not meet anyone's approval the second conference does not meet anyone's approval the second conference does not meet anyone's approval the second conference does not meet any does not meet

three years, week after week, month after month, with one ber 16th. heladelphia. Pa. type of decree to another, each claiming to set the church right by the promotors. Thurs. 12-19-46

We have spent enough of the Churches money and wasted enough of our time to give any one District, Conference, Church or minister a fair hearing.

Every Court in our book of Discipline has been hindered by some Court Order to prevent the full and express will of the Church from being carried out.

The trial by a Committee at Brooklyn was enjoined. The can Methodist Episcopal Church November 19th: Bishops' Council order at their regular session in Kansas City. was questioned and taken to Court.

the General Conference the highest Court of Appeal in our one another." "You have been building to make a great race Church, the express will of the entire Connection by a vote Now you are attempting to destroy one another." of 999 to 35, removed Bishop David H. Sims from the Bishop-

supervise as Presiding Bishop of the Philadelphia Conference, made by a Judge to leaders of a Church. Without attempting the A. M. E. Connection what to do, or even question the as- "Now you are attempting to destroy one another." signment of Bishops, by a General Conference or Bishops

Local appointments under our present set up are based

Episcopal assignments are made through combined judgment of the Episcopal Committee, or majority vote in the become the motto of each member of the A. M. E. Church, o

If the Bishops' Council action is questioned, then only a in our worship, customs and services. General Conference can change it—and only a General Con-

Thus to go to Law to prevent a Bishop from serving a

trict that when any Methodist minister is moved by the power

The A. M. E. Church will watch with interest the outcome of the affair but it must be remembered that the appointing of Pastors. Presiding Elder and assignment of Bishops will be done by the proper authority within the A. M. E. Church and that our Church will never submit to any force

Council in their last session in Little Rock, Ark., November 22 that is when a man is moved from a charge he must take his medicine whether he he a Rishon General Officer Presiding Free ding Free as Presiding Bishop of the Philadelphia Conference he met a Elder or Pastor. He must move on and not hinder his sucmedicine whether he be a Bishop, General Officer, Presiding

Our Church must be kept out of the Courts.

If there was anything that the Extra Session of the Gen-

regular session in 1948 is only a few month away.

The hearing on this injunction is set for Monday, Decem-

A GREAT CHURCH Judge Thomas C. Trimble of the United States District Court, Little Rock, Arkansas, said to the Bishops of the Afri

"You have a great Church. You have done much good for Then when the Church met in a Special Call Session of sorting to court action, through which you seek to destroy your Race. I would like for you to get together without re-

These words from a Judge to Bishops, leaders of a million 22 2 At that same session Bishop S. L. Greene was assigned to Negroes in the world was one of the strongest demands ever people and elected to head the greatest organization among No one man should ever be so powerful that he can tell to saddle responsibility on anyone or group of them. He said:

These words should live in the memory of each of the The A. M. E. Church cannot play with the appointing our Church. So that never again will the occasion arise for power of an Episcopal Committee, Bishops' Council or a Pre- the African Methodist Episcopal Church to air any internal differences in the Courts of the land.

on the recommendation of Presiding Elders, but entirely left before all of the people forget the days when our Church faced one Court battle after another.

Bishops' Council. if the assignment is by the Council. If a both Ministers and Laymen. "Get Together" with a new p Bishon's Godly judgment is doubted only the Bishops' Council point of view and make the days ahead golder days of Brotherhood, old time Gospel preaching and a real back to Methodism

ference can set aside or change the action of a General Con-so that many of the present loop holes and uncertain terms A close study of our Law should be made by legal minds

given assignment by a member of the Bench (or former mem-strong Connection in the future, That is a program built on a Connectional bases—with justice to all and special favors to: No one knows better than the former Bishop of this Dis-none. When it comes to Budget, disrespect for the Book of when the former Bishop of this Dis-none. that when any Methodist minister is moved by the power General Officers, Presiding Elders and Pastors, Certified Lie followers, this was attested by the members of the Philadelphia Conference signing a resolution pledging their full sign fields, Christian movements of a world-wide nature, Recooperation to Bishop Greene. "All ministers except two organization of the Departments to give present day require-

The Rev. D. Wayman Ward offered to accompany her at the piano if she would sing "The Cari-(a South American Rhumba from her picture "Flying Down to Rio), but Miss Moten begged off and sang a more subdued number a cappella.

Charges Almost Secret

Unlike in previous conferences, the general assembly heard little of the actual charges brought

against the Bishops.

These were presented behind closed doors only to the judiciary committee of approximately 10 or 12 members selected from the Episcopal Committee which numbered nearly 100.

The findings of the small committee were relayed to the Episcopal Committee which in turn presented their recommendations

to the entire church.

Then their report were voted on. The case against each Bishop was heard individually and acted upon in its entirety before the next case was heard.

Wednesday, the discipline cre-dentials, and Episcopal Committees were organized and started

about their work.

Thursday evening, the first re-port was made and Bishop Sims was unfrocked.

Friday morning the case of Bishop Curry was acted upon and he was ousted.

It was late Friday night when the conference finally reached

the cases of Bishop Davis, who was suspended, and Bishop Fountain, who was exonerated.

Bryant Still not Satisfied

With these objectives accomplished, the conference was adjourned Friday night.

Far from satisfied with the partial vengeance he had re-ceived, Ira Bryant, along with the 1,500 other delegates, took leave of Little Rock to continue his fight until all his enemies have been brought to book.

Rumblings of dissatisfaction among the general membership of the African Methodist Episcopal Church over the action taken last week at Little Rock where 1,000 delegates to a general conference voted the ouster of two bishops and the expulsion of another high church official led this week to unconfirmed reports Nov. 20-22, is reported to have that the formation of a new church is in the offing.

Mentioned as possible leaders of night and split the AME church is in the offing.

Bishops David A Structure and Discipline known as "Their designated as Associate Bishop is governed by avides that Bishop R. R. Wright Jr., will AME church, which he has been un-presided over by the designated He was, on the contrary, ap 25 the action taken last week at Little Rock where 1,000 delegates of two bish-England districts. Bishop S. L. Bishop R. R. Wright Jr., will At the last scheduled meetingshop Sims.

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Mentioned as possible leaders of night and split the AME church the new church movement are by organizing a new body known as the Independent AME Church. Bishops David A. Sims and George E. Curry, who were charged with

Company of the Compan embezzlement, seeking to defeathe action of their colleagues, in citing to riot and maladministra-Bishop tion of and unfrocked by decisive atly expelled votes. from the AME church by a special

Another expelled church figure expected to join with Sims and

H. Davis, who was suspended without pay until the meeting of the Bishops' Council at Columbia, S. C., in February, is not known.

eral perennial aspirants for theset for Sept 23. The entire deci-line sion follows:

cancies on the bench of bishops are Dr. Charles H. Wesley, president of Wilberforce University; Rev. A. Wayman Ward, Chicago; Washington et al. v. Wright Jr. district in which the said Rev. J. A. Portlock, New York; et al.—This is a motion to restrain Rev. D. Ormonde Walker, Buffalo; the defendant Wright from acting Dr. L. L. Berry, veteran head of the presiding bishop in the missionary department; Rev. as the presiding bishop in the S. S. Morris, Nashville, and Dr. New York Conference, a subdivi-Charles E. Steward, Wilberforcesion of the First Episcopal District University. Of the African Methodist Episcopal No names have been mentioned Church.

for the position of secretary to the The undisputed facts show that general conference.

Bishop David H. Sims was reas-

Aside from the threatened spittsigned to the First Episcopal Dis- neither voice nor vote in of the church which is unlikely totrict at a General Conference of making up the verdict. shalling of support by candidates Pursuant to such appointmention appointing Richard R. Wright for the vacancies, reaction to the or reassignment Bishop Sims as Jr. as associate bishop of the New or in developing. Sat. 12-7- bishop in the First Episcopal DisConference.

Bishops Re-Assigned

The action of the Little Road trict for a further period of four Appointment.

Curry is Rev. George T. Sims brother of the bishop and former secretary of the general conference. It is highly improbable that any of these will remain in the denomination. Davis in Doubt The position of Bishop Monroe H. Davis, who was suspended without pay until the meeting of without pay until the meeting of Court Says Sims Challenges Right

of Bishops' Council to Remove Him

S. C., in February, is not known.

Bishop William A. Fountain,
though disciplined, was exoner- NEW YORK — Below is the York City on June 5, 1946.

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How Church Trials Are Held Bishop Sims likewise argues that the trial of these charges thus

ranks of African Methodism will AME Church.

The action of the special ference which has definitely leftvagan reaffirms the appointment made in accordance with part & three top church positions wideof Bishop R. R. Wright Jr., as as chapter 1, entitled "Trial of open has given new hope to sev-sociate bishop pending the trial Bishops," of the Book of Discip-

That section provides that if the Reportedly eyeing the two va- SUPREME COURT-SPECIAL bishop should be accused in writing the mode of trial shall be as

follows:

The presiding elder of the crime is alleged to have been committed shall notify the senior bishop — or, if the senior bishop be accused, the bishop next in seniority-who shall appoint a committee of trial, composed of one bishop and four elders, over which he shall preside but shall have

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PART I

By Mr. Justice Gavagan

bishops Re-Assigned

The action of the Little Rock trict for a further period of four Appointed Associate Only conference, however, has led to a years, from 1944 to 1948.

While the legality of this resolved into affixing his signature of lows; Chicago, L.

Bishop J. H. Playborn will haveof a number of episcopal districts Sims, who claims that he was charge of church affairs in the dis-over which certain designated bis-thereto under the threat of resolved into the conference issue must await the trial.

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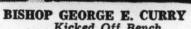
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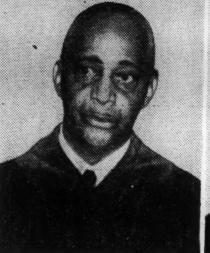
A petition for Portlock's reinance with the Book of Discipline statement and Bishop Sims's reand this court cannot summarily moval was presented to a numberdispose of these issues on affida

hese Five Bishops Held Spotlight at Historic Extra AME Session









BISHOP W. A. FOUNTAIN Completely Exonerated



BISHOP R. C. RANSOM

D. Ormonde Walker Strong Man Conference, Writes Up New Rules

By RALPH MATTHEWS LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—The Rev. D. Ormonde Walker, former president of Wilberforce and now pastor in Buffalo, N.Y., emerged as 7. Each bishop shall present to the strong man of the special AME: General Conference, comely dominating the session with his forceful personality.

Dr. Walker, who had the confidence of both clergy and layman, was given the delicate assignment of driving through the reforms needed to correct conditions in the Bishops' Council.

13 Major Changes He was author of the changes in the discipline governing the conduct of bishops. The changes 8. An extra session of the Bishwere as follows: //- 30- 46 ons' Council may be called at

1. The Bishops' Council shall elect one of its number president of the Council. No bishop shall serve as president of Council for longer than four consecutive years.

3. A vice president shall be elected in the same way and manner as the president, and shall serve for no longer than four consecutive years.

4. A secretary shall be elected annually, and shall serve no longer than four consecutive vears.

An assistant secretary shall be elected annually, and shall serve no longer than four consecutive years.

6. In the event that the president or any elective officer of the Council fails to perform the duties of his office, in keeping with regular established custom and law, said officer may be removed by a majori-ty vote of the Councial, and

the vacancy or vacancies thus created shall be filled in the same way and manner as de-11. The presiding elder of the dis-scribed for the election of of trict in which the said crime

the Bishops' Council a printed report of all monies received and spent with the Episcopal district over which he presided, together with his rulings and decisions in points of law.

This report shall be distributed to all ministers and laymen of the Episcopal district, and made available to such other members of the church who may request the same.

Calling of Extra Sessions

ops' Council may be called at any time by the expressed desire of a majority of its members, but the purpose of the call shall be definitely stated so that the Council may have before it only such matters as are contained in the call

The Bishops' Council shall hear complaints and petitions against any of its number and shall have power, by majority vote, to remove or transfer a bishop from an Episcopal district or any part thereof, if the good of the church demands it, or give such directions, as it, in its judgment, deems best.

public functions are held. Trial Procedure

trict in which the said crime is alleged to have been committed shall notify the president and the secretary of the Bishops' Council.

The president shall appoint a committee of trial composed of one bishop and four elders, over which the president shall,

ident and secretary of the bulent First Episcopal District, the

committee recommends The that these changes shall be-

shall perform all functions incident to his title, and shall be the first to preside when The Agro-American

Sent by 'a New York Bunch, They Alleged

Interference Barred

By BOB QUEEN

dent be accused, the vice pres-recent crisis in the African feud, would interfere with the said Methodist Episcopal Church, function.

In the event that a bishop is which was resolved at a speace contact the said of the afore-cial General Conference last ness was evident during the morn-graph of the afore-cial General Conference last ness was evident during the morn-graph of the morn-graph of the afore-cial General Conference last ness was evident during the morn-graph of the sation shall be sent to the pres-New Jersey Conference of the tur-side by side with the opposition. 20.5

Makes 2-Hour Plea

The title of Senior Bishop shall remain as heretofore in the discipline; that is, the oldest bishop in point of election, shall be known as the Senior Bishop for ceremonial purposes. He shall perform all funcitions incident to his title, and shall All but a handful of pastors of means.

For more than two hours, the fears on telegrams sent by the former bishop of the 13th Episformer prelate to a few members

BISHOP R. C. RANSOM

... President of Bishops

copal district spoke to a group of particle and their spoke the maze of connectional unrest of the past three H years.

Would Resign If He Fails Giving these leaders hope for only a brighter future, Bishop Wright of the stated emphatically. stated emphatically:

"I have never had a faction in sure any endeavor in 47 years. I do with the sure any here. as Wright Takes Over peace and harmony, I will resign."

Signing of the restraint order a over which the president shall reduced the fear that the Rev. preside, but shall have neither R. R. Wright Jr. revealed here Mr. Sims, whose ouster as bishop voice nor vote in making uplast Thursday that his life had by the special General Conferthe verdict. Should the presi-been threatened during the ence climaxed the Connectional states.

said during the interim of the month in Little Rock, Ark. ing session, when former follow-General Conference, said accu- The prelate told pastors of the ers of the Sims' administration sat "

4 Apply for Order

week before the date set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association, had be set for say we won't do it for any District Laymen's Association in the first for any District Laym ings called by Bishop Wright through "noise and other illegal g

Any elder who serves four years has the right to become a candidate," he advised. Outlines Youth Project

He outlined a project to be sponsored entirely by the young people of the District. A survey will be conducted, followed by a campaign to encourage new members to join the conference.

"I believe that there might be a million people in the First District who do not attend church.

he opined.

"Put evangelism first," he pleaded. "Get hate and prejudice out of men and women. We cannot preach unless we practice it. We must learn to differ with men without hate. Let us help to make the world a family of God."

Bishop Allen Present Bishop A. J. Allen of the 16th Episcopal District attended the session and conducted the afternoon session.

David Silver of Newark was the attorney for the complainants who secured the restraining order

Mr. Shack, who was present dire ing the major part of the one-day session, made but one comment: "Wherever you find the AME

you will always find me.

No Fears for AME Bishops

The unfrocking of two bishops and the suspension of a

third by the special session of the AME General Conference at Little Rock, Ark., last week came as no surprise to those who have been following recent developments in this denomon. Baltimore, Md.
If there was any surprise at all, it was that there was not

an even greater house cleaning. We are certain that there Bishop Davis was plenty of shivering which was not due to the tempera- Suspended until eral Conference and the Rev. Russell

of the weather. Sat. 11- 30-46 next conference Brown, AFRO reporters on the scene declared that there was aby a vote of 678 to 301. bloodthirsty, mob spirit pervading the proceedings during EVISE CHURCH CONSTITUTION
which Bishops David H. Sims and George Curry were expelled, and Monroe H. Davis suspended, from their highing among factions of Bishops, high-ranking ministers and laymen, offices. Some of the accused cried aloud and asked to be reApproximately 3,000 delegates from all sections of the country at tired rather than suffer the disgrace of being unfrocked. Ittended the extra session of the General Conference which resulted in was necessary to assign armed bodyguards to each bishopradical revisions of the Church Constitution. present, so great was the tension.

that the consequence of any improper action is retribution. SIMS ABSENT FROM CONFERENCE

They should have seen this coming long ago. grass" any minister who refuses to bow to their dictates-statement denying the charges.

expect that eventually their sins will catch up with them.

Judged by present standards, AME bishops are ade
Bishop Curry, recently

becoming financially involved.

constituents haven't. Certainly their memories can go back purry PLEADS OWN CASE to the general conference at Cleveland in 1932 and what and narrow.

become the rule rather than the exception. However, we and draw an annual salary. hope that what has happened at Little Rock will be an object lesson that needs no repetition.

eral Conference

By BERT LOGAN, Courier Religious Editor

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Two Bishops were expelled and a third suspended last week at an extra session of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Expelled were Bishops David Henry Sims, Philadelphia, and George E. Curry, Jacksonville, Fla. The Conference suspended Bishop Monroe H. Davis, Baltimore, without pay until the February meeting of the AME Bishops' Council.

Other Bishops on trial, including Senior Bishop W. A. Fountain Sr., Atlanta, were cleared by the conference. Bishop Sims, who had presided over the First District,

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Oklahoma Conference, took place Friday
by a vote of 812 to 94.

The ten pishops resided the feet of the Rev. Commotion and the feet it was decided to but it in the week when the Rev. Oklahoma conference of the Gen-well session of the G

eral Conference and the Rev. Russell with the secretaryship of the Gender of the Brown, St. Louis, was chosen for the post with the secretaryship of the Gender of the Brown, St. Louis, was chosen for the post with the secretaryship of the Gender of the Brown, St. Louis, was chosen for the post with the secretaryship of the Gender of the



Expulsion of two Bishops and suspension of the third were recoment, so great was the tension.

As we see it, the ousted bishops don't deserve any sym-mended by the Episcopal Committee. The report recommending the expulsion of Bishop Sims was read by Mrs. Alma Polk of Pittsburgh, pathy. Of all people they should have been the first to know Pa., first layman ever to serve as secretary of an Episcopal committee.

At no time did Bishop Sims appear on the floor during the ac-If bishops become tyrants and threaten to send to "shorttion taken against him. Later, as he left the city, he issued a formal

grass any minister who refuses to now to their dictates—
He was charged with embezzlement of funds in connection with they for any reason misapply church funds, they should a real estate development, maladministration and intimidation of

Bishop Curry, recently principal in a Church trial in Oklahoma in quately compensated so that there can be no excuse for their which he was found guilty, suspended, and later reinstated, was accused of embezzlement, fraud, maladministration, and of withdraw-The bishops apparently have short memories, but their with the Bishop Sims case.

When the Episcopal Committee findings were reported to the Conhappened there to prelates who had strayed from the straight ference, Bishop Curry waived the right to defense counsel and pleaded in his own behalf. He first asked that he be retired for two years. Shenanigans in the AME denomination seem to have Later he suggested that he be permanently retired.

This, however, would have permitted him to keep his official status

The Episcopal Committee named to investigate charges against the Bishops included one minister and one layman from each of the sixteen districts. The Rev. H. T. Trim, pastor of Union Bethel, lew Orleans, served as chairman. A smaller judicial committee

Proof That Bishop Sims Agreed to Ruling Ulro- american Baltimore, Md. COUNCIL OF BISHOPS African Methodist Episcopal Church Kam , City lama 21,1946 In new of the fact that it is

his is black and white proof in his own handwriting that Bishop David H. Sims agreed to the Bishops' willingly pledge our loyal sup Negro St. James AME Church of Souncil ruling on June 21, placing Bishop R. R. Wright Jr. in complete charge of the tempestuous New prove otherwise. ork Annual AME Conference. Sims's followers, in a suit up for hearing on Sept. 26, contend that prove otherwise. sishop Sims signed the document under "duress" and take issue with the term "associate bishop." sishop Sims signed the document under "duress" and take issue with the term "associate bishop." The 3. "We recognize the Rev. A, a barbecue and special program heet of paper forms the only record of the council on this historic action. The secretary of the council, siding elder of the Buffalo Dis. Drs. F. D. Funderburg and J. S. Bishop Monroe H. Dayis, became so interested in the deliberations of the council, siding elder of the Buffalo Dis. Drs. F. D. Funderburg and J. S. ishop Monroe H. Davis, became so interested in the deliberations, he "forgot" to take notes. Bishop trict and pledge him unstinted Downs and a battle of music by Davis is siding with Bishop Sims in the dispute.

Symbol of AMEZ Sesquicentennial



ymbol of the AME Zion Sesquicentennial Celebration now in session Salvin NYC. The sessions will continue through Sent 22 9-24-94.

Wilson, chairman; R. J. Hamilton, Eva Chisholm, M. Brown and Ka-

Support Wright

Buffalo District Group Takes Stand

Upholes Decision

by Bishops' Council

pledged to support the decision A cast of 100 persons presented pageant written by Charles of the Bishops' Council.

clared: Baltimore, Md. enrolled for daily instructions.

Regret Confusion the Bishops' Council in relieving ton, 14th District; and A. J. Allen Bishop D. H. Sims of supervision 16th District.

over the New York annual conference; Sat. 9-21-46

2. "We recognize the authority Negro hurch Marks of the Bishops' Council as the highest authority in the interim Its 80 h Anniversary of the General Conference, and MON ICELLO, Sept. 6 - The

anniversary Sunday, Sept. 8, with

the timely and unique program A final report of the year will arranged for the present convenbe made by the pastor, Rev. J. tion." The committee drawing up the mortgage in full; remodeling of resolutions included Charles E the parsonage and church and the

REGRETS CONFUSION mately 4,000 officials, young peo ro - American ple and religious education lead ers of the AME Church, recently gathered at DuSable High School here for the 9th connectional Christian education congress and BROOKLYN, N.Y.—At the Buf-youth convocation of that body.

falo AME District Sunday School Speakers were Bishop Frank and ACE League session recent Bishop W. A. Fountain of Georgia ly, the convention unanimously Nicholas Hood, Indiana youth resolved to recognize Bishop R. leader, and Dr. Charles Wesley R. Wright Jr. as administrator of president of Wilherforce, Univer-

The resolutions, which were aded by Dr. E. C. Mitchell of Ate dressed to the presiding elder and lanta covered 19 areas of study members of the convention, de- and had more than 11,000 students

Among the prelates present were Bishops R. R. Wright, 13th Epis "We regret the confusion, copal District; D. Ward Nicholas, delinquency and timidness evi- 9th District; H. Y. Tokes, 11th: denced in the sessions of this con- G. E. Curry of Oklahoma, George the sessions of this conflicting W. Baber of Arkansas, S. L. reports concerning the actions of Green, 8th District; and J. H. Clay

Shurch Clears Bishop way onto an enclosed porch, bound and gagged the maid, and walked leisurely away carrying the 250-pound steel box. On both the other visits they stated they represented five-man Chicago syndicate. The startling new development in the First Episcopal District fight came as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT the Bethel AME pulpit, was considered to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the start of the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the start of the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the start of the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the Sims by STAFF CORRESPONDENT ducting services for an overflow which the same as a shock to the same as a shock to the sam

BY H. C. CARSWELL

NEW YORK, N. Y. - (SNS) Bishop W. A. Fountain, of the Georgia diocese of the AME church was exonerated of church charges of conspiring with Bishop David Sims in the latter's administration of the affairs of the church in the New York Conference at a church court session held at Bridge Street

Church last week.

The September 23 Council meeting, called by Bishop R. C. Ransom was protested by Senior Bishop A. Fountain, Bishops M. H. Davis and David Sims, who gresioned the legality of the meeting. Bishop Davis, secretary of the council, had notified every bish op that the call session by Bishop Raizson was illegal, because he was ur der charges of conspiring against Bishop Sims and could not preside over the body.

RULES CITED

According to the rules governing the AME Council of Bishops, all calls for meetings of the council shall be issued jointly by the Senior Bishop and 'the Secretary." Davis contended this had not been done. Bishop Davis stated that the spiring with Bishop Sims. In order to make ready for the church trial a trial committee had to be appointed. It was decided that the church trial of Bishop Fountain be called Wednesday, September 25, in Bishop R. R. Wright Jr. failed to

and W. B. Gay, of New York and tion, giving the lie to any claim of "Perhaps you do not know,"

Josiah Henry, of Baltimore, to the Nichols-Wright faction as be-the minister continued, "that un-

reached a new climax here

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Sims. This decision caused im- N.Y. AME Conference. mediate repercussions. The Sims The newly formed group tempo-faction attacked the ruling and rarily is holding services at the he felt certain newspapers in New carried the fight to court where Union Theorem 1975.

The robbery by the two white Bethel Church at 54 W. 132nd St. men is a matter of conjecture to both factions at the moment, Taken along with the papers, which post the Rev. Mr. Portlock led the largably have direct bearing on aest AME congregation in the conseries of items under fire fromference before the district was the Wright faction, were a \$1000beset with turbulence. the Wright faction, were a \$1000beset with turbulence. diamond bracelet, insurance papers

mond stick pin valued at \$300, a Bishop Sims."

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Commended Sims

purpose for the assembly was to arrange for the trial of Bishop Fountain who was under charge of contain who was under charge Agreement, Clergy Says

NEW YORK — A charge that church." Sat. 7—36—46

Without B. B. Wright In filled to

Brooklyn, N. Y., at Bridge Street Church.

At the Wednesday meeting, the confusion about the seniority of the bishops of church was clarified by Secretary Bishop Davis, who contended that only the secretary and the secretary and

tended that only the secretary could preside at this time. He called the meeting to order and the trial committee assembled with the defense and opposition present.

Serving as attorneys for the defense were Lawyers Austin Norris rock the church to its very foundation of the secretary of the AME Church.

In an exclusive statement to been misinformed. the AFRO-AMERICAN, the Rev. "All of them commended Bishother pertinent facts will ultimate the program of peace and harmony of the conference."

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Sims the mortgages of at least 95 per cent of the churches in the First District have been paid; new churches have been built with adequate facilities for a social and recreational program; other churches with similar facilities have been bought and paid for;

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carried the fight to court where Union Temple AME Church at York had dealt unfairly with Beth-it has since remained.

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At the time of the robbery Bishop nouncing Bishop Sims as presiding, 19th and Pemberton st. ence, stated following services on The bishop's wife was in her office Sunday morning, that "under no in the same building.

In addition to other things a dia-condition will we work under mond stick pin valued at \$200 a Bishop Sims."

The Rev. Mr. Portlock, in re-THE CHURCH THE CHU New Building Pledged

large number of silver dollars were to his followers that they would taken.

Soon go into a Greater Bethel

The two men were described as building, but wouldn't disclose

All those who believe in the leader-

the total amount amassed in two day's collection to \$279.15.

to take over the reins.

purely official."

Prefers to Stay in N.Y.

of Bethel because I was sincere." porary civilization to allow itself to Six new members joined Greater Bethel Sunday. Two said they sink into the mire of factional strife came from the pastor's former and unsavory scandal.

At a time when the church is strugmer Bethel members have any hold on the wandering restless masses. of following his group.

Thompson, a Sims appointee in

battle with the Bishop R. R. Wright A. Portlock, with a congregation The Rev. Mr. Thompson, who faction since trouble arose several he represented as including near-was formerly a pastor in Free-months ago months ago.

Bishop Sims was accused of AME Church, worshipped for the from the North Carolina AME misappropriating church funds several months ago and a Bishop's Greater Bethel AME Church, restated that those remaining from Council in Kansas City named Bishop R. R. Wright to head the Bishop R. R. Wright to head the Bishop R. R. Wright to head the David H. Sims as prelate of the ship have attended wholehearted-Sims. This decision caused im N.Y. AME Conference.

TEARING DOWN

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Whatever may be the merits for the weeks was \$1,305.50. A regular unfrocking of the two prelates, the AME church stands to lose a great deal Not an AME Spin of its spiritual effectiveness. The lay-The pastor of the new Greater man cannot conceive of churchmen be-Rethel told the AFRO that the man cannot conceive of churchmen be-break from the former church ing elevated to the highest ecclesiastidoes not represent a split from the cal office without the necessary spirit-New York Conference.

He said that his congregation is no credit to the church therefore op R. R. Wright Jr., who was apthat its bishops are periodically unpointed by the Bishops. pointed by the Bishops' Council frocked for acts unbecoming their sta-"My attitude toward Bishop tion. It is apparent that the canons Sims is still friendly," he said of the Episcopate should be so revised and added "our differences are as to prevent hasty and ill-advised elevation of churchmen to the bishopric.

During his message the pastor The history of the AME church is intimated that offers of charges replete with dramatic chapters of the elsewhere had been made to him. role that it has played in both the culbut he told his congregation that the felt that his work was here.

Preaching from the 144th Psalm. American Negro. It has rendered too he declared that he "stepped out great a service to the cause of contem-

nounced their intentions to him hold on the wandering, restless masses, it can ill afford to dissipate its energy Just two blocks away, at the in internal struggles that will ultimate same time, the Rev. Hale B. ly destroy its usefulness.

Colored Minister

Presiding Elder A. A. Duncan was something "you will hear more awarded a Gold Certificate at the of later." Sat 9-20 He charged that the AFRO had Georgia State Christian Educational an antipathy toward the church, Leadership Congress, recently held in stemming back to the days when Atlanta.

Cited For Fifty

The colored minister is well-known veloped over money and the in Fort Valley where he has rendered AFRO became a secular paper. than 27 of those 50 years. Leaving ing, and said so. Tuskegee Institute at the age of 18, he began his service of building churches AM for his people. St. Paul's AME church in Columbus, one of the leading Negro churches in that city, was built by Elder Duncan. Another church he Lines Lor built, little by little, is Monumental AME church in Atlanta. During the past 5 Oyears he has built and improved 15 churches and taken into the church 18,000 members. Every church, Sat. 9-28-46 he says, was built stone by stone and NEW YORK—The 150th Annibrick by brick, by the gifts of white versary Celebration of the African friends, and contributions of members Methodist Episcopal drew to a close

in Fort Valley. He owns his home, Governor William Hastie, Conworks every day, and though nearing gressman Adam C. Powell and Vito works every day, and though nearing Marantonio, and Mrs. Mary Mc-70 years of age, is looking forward to Leod Bethune and "Miss AME Zion many more years of service to his con-Church" was crowned in this color-

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Session Highlighted By National Figures

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By RALPH MATTHEWS

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take the case right up to the time New York conference. set for a special general confer- All of the suits brought against

original petition.

He also insists that action taken by the bishops in Cincinnati last

motion for dismissal of the restrainer granted on a temporary tion to the whole problem, he said he would consent to sit down with he would consent to sit down with the other bishops and discontinue Attorneys for Bishop Reverdy would agree to adjudicate the

Denies District Trouble

These facts, he says, are that, By a clever technique, this will contrary to their original assumption, there is no trouble in the

ence called for Little Rock, Ark., him by disgruntled ministers have been decided in his favor; Attorneys were not clear at the and the prediction that Bethe the entire issue is an imaginary of two resolutions presented to statement of the Rt. Rev. R. R.

Castigates Other Prelates

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Sissippi conferences, which held their joint session in New Or-leans, he said.

Bishop Sims also diqualifies the West African, South African, Bermuda and other foreign conferences on the grounds that their presiding bishops were in this country and could not properly hold their conferences.

Baltimore

Messrs. and Mesdames John L. Berry, William L. Berry, Benjamin F. either from a standpoint of ability or morality the large rank and standpoint of ability or moralit

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here is sufficient unrest in the Bishop Allen released a state-

Why He Didn't Sign

to warrant any action by the Bishops' Council was 'made this week by Isaac N. Patterson, chairman of the First Episcopal District with the New York Conference.

Action Committee. Sat. 9-21-46

Writing in the Christian Recial session in Washington on corder, Mr. Patterson stated that August 15, I refused to sign either raging in the AME Church is the continuity of two resolutions presented to statement of the Rt. Rev. R. R.

misinformed as there was a peace Conference, which had just the tyranny of the past was to in New York."

been clarified and confirmed in Cold Versus New Conference Action Uncertain

This, however, works in Bishop clared Bishop Wright should residence. Sims's favor, as he and his colturn to Kentucky, Bishop Green leagues, Bishops Davis, Fountain Mississippi, and Bishops Clayand Curry have already chalborn and Reid to their fields in lenged the regularity of this spe Africa, remain there and stop in factory answer for his actions. The past was to continue.

Castigates Other Prelates Conference, which had just the tyranny of the past was to been clarified and confirmed in New York."

For that reason, declared Mr. the special Council in Washing at the special Council in Washing. The implication is that Bishop alignment which presages a continuation of the bitter contest which is raging within our ranks which is raging within our ranks as bishops.

Continuing, he pointed out that

not be held.

Conference Called Illegal
He insists that two of the call have all was not familiar with what had tricts voting for the call have all was not familiar with what had tready violated the church law transpired in New York.

The Alabama conference, he said voted at a joint session held in Berause of this, Judge Underwood by all the wood postponed the hearing, given the conference would there appeared.

Not only did the two Wrights approve the project "as a blessing to the church and race," but E. C. tos; J. H. S. Evans, Washington, archon megistors to the church and race," but E. C. tos; J. H. S. Evans, Washington, ing compelled to seek a charter grammateus megistors; Robert L. from the CIO to obtain decent the organization of a stock company to help in the development.

Citing other church officials who had visited and approved the Birmingham, attended by all the wood postponed the hearing, given the ministry as a haven it is not a stock of the will catch on peacetually approve the project "as a blessing Scott, Washington, archon megistors; Robert L. from the CIO to obtain decent the organization of a stock company to help in the development.

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in the First District and naming Bishop R. R. Wright and Bishop Green to supervise his work was of the AME Bishops' Council, meeting at washington to reconsequently been easily resolved by ecclesiastic meaningless. Sall III was and Mrs. Court meeting at washington to reconsequently been easily resolved by ecclesiastic meeting at washington to reconsequently been easily resolved by ecclesiastic being held in spiritual peonage.

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H. B. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R Jones;

William C. McNeill, Howard H. Long, Mrs. Cordelia Wharton, Emmett J.

Attorneys were not clear at the and the prediction that Bethel moment whether the injunction Church would be split has not would prevent the general confermaterialized, he pointed out.

Conference Action Uncertain

Representatives of Bishop Ran leave the whole case at status que som and the council contend that until the regular general confermence, scheduled for 1948, where ops' Council and will have no effect on the general conference, asshould be reassigned to other this body is not named in the fields.

Attorneys were not clear at the and the prediction that Bethel to mome it is sue is an imaginary one "built up by four disgusted me. I had several reasons for down in explaining his position in the holy ruckus.

On the basis of these facts, he through circulars and paid publicity from unfriendly papers."

Bishops Noted "Peace"

Moreover, he added that intitle "to come and see" for themogeness of the conference. The other sought to remove Bishop Wright completely from the New York, Bishop Wright decompletely from the New York, Bishop whether the prediction to the actions taken in New York, Bishop whether the procedures or whether original petition.

Castigates Other Prelates

The late Dr. William H. Wright the ministry as a haven, it is not be before the first true that all those bedecked in the second second

Young, Albert A. Smith, D. Grant have gotten enough backbone to Scott, and B. K. Bruce.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, High-take the big pants off their more and the state of their more and the state of their more and state of

AME Congress Nets More T

School and Allen C. E. League Edu- Southwest Texas Conference Bishop George B. Young presiding Howard, presiding elder-Personal. over the large gatherings in the \$150; upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$1,three sessions daily of the congress 500; total, \$1,700. The devotional exercises daily were Weimar District, Rev. E. D. Coop-

conducted by the missionaries and er, presiding elder-Personal, \$100: was delivered by Rov. V. T. Thomp-\$1,100. son, with his father and mother as Yoakum District, Nev. W. S. Mitchhonored guests. The public offering ell, presiding elder-Personal, \$50; was \$389.19. The evening sermon upkeep, \$40; requirement \$600, total, was delivered by Rev. J. S. Curry \$690. of Conroe, and the midnight sermon by Rev. J. T. Simpson of Houston.

were by the missionaries and stew-upkeep, \$40; requirement, \$600, total, addesses; sermon by Rev. F. D. \$640. Thomas of Terrell. Offering, \$35.83. Athens District, Rev. B. L. Simp The ladies raised from registration son, presiding elder—Personal, \$103; \$281.25, which will appear in the equirement, \$600; total, \$743. grand total to be reported by Mrs. Mexia District, Rev. E. Prince O. G. Love. The following commit-presiding elder-Personal \$50; up-George B. Young:

Receiving Reports - Rev. J. R. McGee, Mrs. O. G. Love, and Mrs. M. P. Hughes. On finance-Dr. A. S. Jackson, Rev. E. M. Bracey, and apkeep, \$40; requirement, \$600 P D Sadler

The districts reported as follows:

Texas Conference

Houston District. Red. E. M. \$700 Bracey, presiding elder - Personal, Texarkana District, Rev. C. H \$375; upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$1,- Sanders, presiding elder—Personal, 500 total. \$1.875.

North Houston district, Rev. J. W total, \$465. Bennett presiding elder—Personal 350; upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$15.00; total, \$1,600.

Sadler, presiding elder -- Personal, total, \$1,065. \$170; upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$1,-500; total, \$1,720.

North Texas Conference Dallas District, Rev. R. S. Jenkins, total, \$955.

Moody, presiding elder, represented by Rev. A. R. Nelson - Personal.

Waxahachie District, Rev. J. A total, \$640. McDonald, presiding elder-Personal, \$205; upkeep, \$40; requirement. \$700: total \$945

Central Texas Conference

Waco District, Rev. T. R. Clem \$280; upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$1,-\$10; upkeep, \$40; requirement,

presiding elder-Personal \$175, no Corpus Christi District Rev. J. M. upkeep; requirement, \$1,450; total, ohnson, presiding elder-Personal.

Temple District, Rev. W. N. Mc-total, \$165. Greew, presiding elder - Personal, \$100; upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$1,-

Palestine District, Rev. J. S. Mos-.The second day, the devotionals ley, presiding elder-No personal

Northeast Texas Conference

Bonham District, Rev. B. F. Cooper, presiding elder-Personal, \$80: total \$720

Corsia District, Rev. E. D. Bonner, Blessings Flow."9-28-46 presiding elder-Personal, 850; up-

Northwest Texas Conference

South Houston district, Rev. P. D. 3225; upkeep, \$40; requirement, \$300; \$10; Fred Hicks, \$25; First National time, but Bishop Clayborn.

Boldin, presiding elder - Personal,

eep. \$50; requirement, \$1525; total, Johnson: presiding elder—Personal.Love. for Women's Day. \$2,560.80. \$160; upkeep, \$40; requirement, \$800;

West Texas . Conference"

Brenham District, Rev. A. W. Har- The Couris \$300; upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$1,- vey, presiding elder-No personal: upkeep, \$40; requirement, \$600;

> Bellville District, Rev. E. A. Thomas, presiding elder-Personal. \$15; upkeep, \$40; requirement, \$600; total, \$655.

Bastrop District, Rev. J. V. B. mons, presiding elder - Personal Goins, presiding elder - Personal \$400.50; total, \$450.50.

Austin District, Rev. W. O. Boyd, Mexico and Rio Grande Conference \$15; upkeep, \$25; requirement, \$125;

Resolution Extraordinary and

Whereas:-We are now assembled Sims of the First Episcopaldirection, and in the handwriting day School and Allen League Con-lution allegedly signed by tif several copies of the original gress, founded, established originating the Counciminutes and also several copies ed from the fertile bring of our teen bishops at the Councilminutes and also several copies highly esteemed Richard Rooms Pheld in Kansas City in June of the changes to substantiate his highly esteemed Bishop George B.held in Kansas City in June statement. Rev. Mr. Pitts denied Young, the Gold Star B, shop in theended Thursday with attor on the stand that he had ever African Methodist Episcopal churchneys for the plaintiff and de ure as stated in the changes. stewardesses. The opening sermon upkeep, \$50; requirement, \$950, total, 50th bishop elected in the AME fendant resting the case with Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom testl-

and soul of Bishop George B. Young riod.

Be it resolved that we commend cause of the action in court. singing "Praise God from Whom Al previous session.

Mrs. Miller, \$2; L. E. Browning, \$10 trial on Thursday, Judge Dickstein after the con-Rev. L. C. Browning, \$100; Bishorproduced a telegram from Bishop Judge Dickstein after the con-Rev. L. C. Browning, \$100; Bishorproduced a telegram from Bishop of the trial in granting George B. Young, \$500; solicited by Dishop Clayborn on three weeks for the attorneys to George B. Young, \$500; solicited by Dishop Clayborn on the briefs observed that "some El Paso District, Rev. J. Bennett Bishop George B. Young Mr. Borde-Wednesday that 10 one was authings that I have observed are Brown, presiding elder—Personal, hoff, \$100; Mr. Goldberg Merchantthorized to use his proxy at any very obnoxious. . . too bad the parias District, Rev. R. S. Cerians, Wichita Falls District, Rev. J. L. Hughes, of Houston \$100; Mrs. O. G. fied. \$50; Drs. Hagan, Mrown, Allen jail" if the situation was not clari-lution and some phases of the

Pilleburgh, Ta.

Judge Says Some Things in Trial Are "Obnoxious" By BAXTER LEACH (New York Bureau)

name was signed to the alleged

of the Thirteenth Episcopaltestified on the stand that certain District and Bishop David Heral conferences were done at the School and Allen C. E. League Educational Congress was held with San Antonio District. Rev. J. A in our Super Educational State Sun-District to clarify the resoment of conferences. He produced

church, elected in the AME General the usual motions and with the due to "many complaints and conference in Chicago, Ill, May the court reserving decision Bishops Councils" he came to the Whereas:—Paul Quinn College is and allowing attorneys to fileconclusion that for the peace and the burden heaviest upon the life briefs within a three-week per ference it would be wise to move of Bishop Sims, and so voted.

made this our 12th Surday Schooling in June, is alleged to have and voted to move Bishop Sims and League Congress the greatest of given Bishop Wright plenary from the New York district. all Super State Sunday School Con-power in the conference, and re-BISHOP CURRY Courses gress moved Bishop Sims, and is the DEFENDS SIMS

Bishop George E. Curry of Oklaour beloved Bishop George B. Your BISHOP YOUNG'S AFFIDAVIT homa was recalled to the stand with our prayers, endorsement, and The sensation at the trial cameand reiterated his assertion of a tees were appointed by Lishop keep, \$40; requirement, \$600; total, with our prayers, endorsement, and the same on Wednesday when Bishop Johnsew days previous that "the same on Wednesday when Bishop Johnsew days previous that "the same on Wednesday when Bishop Johnsew days previous that "the same of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theorowd that lynched him last year of Clayborn of West Africa took theory when Bishop Johns were constructed by the control of the Clayborn of West Africa took theory when Bishop Johns were control of the Clayborn of West Africa took theory when Bishop Johns were control of the Clayborn of West Africa took theory when Bishop Johns were control of the Clayborn of West Africa took theory when Bishop Johns were control of the Clayborn of West Africa took theory when Bishop Johns were control of the Clayborn of West Africa took Episcopal District to continue the ffidavit, signed by Bishop Young Bishop D. Ward Nichols of Alagood work under his careful super of Texas, that Bishop Davis ofbama, Bishop Noah Williams of vision. The resolution was unan Baltimore was not authorized to St. Louis, Mo., and Bishop J. A. mously approved by a standing vote use his proxy as was stated by Gregg of Kansas, did not testify, singing "Praise God from Whom At Bishop Davis to the court in abut it was reported that their testiwould have supported the =

Bishop Davis testified that atWright forces. The three bishops the session held in Washington, were among the number who issued Rev. P. F. Jackson, \$5° Mrs. L. E. D. C., by a special session of thethe call for the special session of shiloh, \$50; Dr. Bradway, \$5° R. I. Bishops' Council in August, pro-the General Conference meeting at Shiloh, \$50; Dr. Bradway \$5; R. J. Laucing a telegram from Bishop Little Rock, Ark., next month from Norwood, \$5; Mrs T. N Watts, \$2 Young giving the right to use the the 20th through the 21st library 2 Sanders, presiding elder—Personal J. E. Jones, \$2; Mrs. E. B. Holden, \$2 proxy. At the evening session of COURT COMMENTS \$25; upkeep, \$40; requirement, \$400; Mrs. Miller, \$2; L. E. Browning, \$10 rial on Thursday, Judge Dickstein Judge Dickstein after \$2455. Judge Dickstein after the con-

Bank, Waco, \$100; City National SOMEONE GOING TO JAIL." - case had to come to court San Angelo District, Rev. J. M. Bank, Waco, \$100; City National Commenting on the turn of ness and not mine." Sal 10company, Waco, \$100; Dennis Boy-events respecting the telegram, the Bishop Sims was closely question. Waco, \$100; Dennis Boy-events respecting the telegram, the Bishop Sims was closely question. Waco, \$100; Dennis Boy-events respecting the telegram, the Bishop Sims was closely question. \$115; upkcep, \$40; requirement, \$800; kim, Waco, \$5; Dr. A. S. Jackson, stated that "someone was going to signature on the Kansas City resonance was going to signature on the City of the City of

fied. There appears to be forgery Paradise Lakes project. and deception of the worst kind, the Judge inferred, and ordered Extra Session the original telegram of the one said to have been given Bishop Is Turbulent Davis to be secured from the telegraph company in Texas.

Bishop Wright, in his testimony, NEW YORK-Bishop Wright's recalled the meeting with Bishopfirst move as associate was to call Sims on several occasions, includ-the New York Conference into ing Philadelphia and Chicago whenextraordinary session at Bethel Bishop Sims agreed to the ar-Church, Monday, June 24, 11 a.m. rangement that he preside over Rishon Wright stating that he the New York Conference as As-had been assigned by the entire Bishop Wright, stating that he > sociate Bishop with plenar He was on the stand the Bishop's Council as associate 5 7 bishop with full authority at New 3 1 5 better part of two days.

Bishop Sims was recalled to the York's conference, added that allstand on Thursday after having the bishops, including Sims, already testified the better part of agreed to Portlock. three days and was subjected to During the session, he

NEW YORK CITY — Thetorney for the defense and direct lock, one of the central figures in AME trial here in the Su examination by attorney for the dispute, would retain the passes of the central figures in preme Court involvin gagreed to the arrangement stated torate of Bethel, and not the Rev. I Bishop R. R. Wright Jr, notwithstanding the fact that his Hale B. Thompson, who

BLAMES RACE FOR RACE BAITERS

To members of the Allen Christ The charge of the Allen Christ The charges was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses was brought tan Endeavor League, Bishop Reid under false pretenses and the League Lea

oldest Bishops of the African ACCUSED OF PLOT Methodist Episcopal Church bishops "did wrongfully, wilfully this week was accused of ap and maliciously plan and plot to pearing in an intoxicated" the presiding bishop of the New

The plaintiffs charge that Bishop
Ransom was intoxicated, staggerin his mortgage burning address ing and swaying, and spoke incot Bethel Church here Tuesday ing and swaying, and spoke inco-

directly accused of failing to turn

the book over to the authorities of the university. Within the Bishops Ransom, John A. Gregg, S. L. Green, Noah H. Williams, D. Wright, George Baber and John H. Clayton are named in the third suit, filed by C. W. Washing ton, R. C. Cone, Solomon Freeman, F. H. Dreher, T. W. Coleman and of the New York AME Conference The charge in this suit is "immorality and maladmin istration NEW YORK—One of the through a conspiracy." 1.9.1.46

"Gentlemen, under church law I cannot make any of you register and help our people in their struggle to vote; but," he said with emphasis, "there are a lot of things I can do if you don't put this program over."

BLAMES RACE FOR

RANSOM ACCUSED

The drunkenness charge was preferred against Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom of Ohio. His accusers are C. W. Washington, C. A. Hill, S. P. Boyd and James A. Manning, all in high members and elders of the AME's New York Conference.

During the course of Bishop Davis's testimony, he was quizzed about his transactions in connection with Kittrell College.

Asked whether he had not signed a confessed judgment to the misuse of \$48,000 during the June term of 1944, Bishop Davis denied the accusation but admitted

on Bishop Sims.

ent but denied that this action Nov. 20-24.

ent assignment over any one dis at Dayton Tuesday. est of the church.

Chief, AFRO National Bureau attorneys for Bishop Sims made istration of affairs in the First NEW YORK—After two weeks him admit that he had been forced Episcopal District.

In his mortgage burning address in and smalling, and spoke incoat Bethel Church here Tuesday herently and uninteligently when he night, Bishop Reid scored Negroes, appeared before a congregation in Mississippi and Georgia for the New York's Mother Bethel AME Church, June 5, 1946. They said he offices now because Negroes, their was in a similar condition June 9, 1943, when he appeared before an injunction against Easter New York's Mother Bethel AME Church, June 5, 1946. They said he offices now because Negroes, their was in a similar condition June 9, 1943, when he appeared before an injunction against Easter New York's Town Hall.

The suit also charges that "for our people to train and on their own feat and stop waiting on other people to bring freedom to the South. I don't care what anyone says," the bishop concern," the bishop concern," The plaintiffs ask that a trial be had in accordance with page be had in accordance with page be a change in the administration over that the salvation of the New York Conference, and "Bishop Reid and voices have got to lay aside our too general unconnocen."

To members of the Allen Chrish Ende AME Church New York Conference, and "Bishop Reid and voices have got to lay aside our too general unconnocen."

To members of the Allen Chrish Ende AME Church New York Conference, and "Bishop R. R. Wright. According to the Republican of the AME Church of the New York Conference, and "Bishop R. R. Wright. According the head and voice was not forced to resign because Allen Temple Ame Church here. The plaintiffs ask that a trial bishop with cross-examination of displayment of the Bishops. Council. Bishop Davis was forced to administration of the Wenth Provided Provided Wednesday, Oct. 30, as the of Bishop Monroe H. Davis, secretary of the School unless Walled to be held at the injunction resign from the presidency of trial, attorneys for Bishop Monroe H. Davis, secretary to the Bishops. The plaintiffs ask that a trial bishop the trial, attorneys for Sishop Davis was forced to administratio

Wright and Green any wrongdoing.

denied the accusation but admitted that there had been some legal difficulty.

He was also asked whether he ped Bishop D. H. Sims of all author the New York church, attorneys were present at a meeting of the thority on Oct. 22, and appointed for Bishop Sims rushed in waiv-Bishops' Council in Washington Bishops R. R. Wright Jr., and Sing an injunction, halting the prowhen a deputy U.S. marshal in L. Green to synchrise the first ceedings.

vaded the council to serve papers AME Episcopal District until the on Bishop Sims.

Special session of the General A week long hearing was held.

Because of this difference, he New York and the Federal Court explained, no bishop has perman-in Ohio, the last being obtained

trict and can be shifted at the will At that time, Federal Judge of the Bishops' Council or the Gen. John H. Druffell issued a tempo eral Conference for the best inter-rary injunction blocking the third attempt to place Bishop Sims on In attempting to discredit him, trial for conspiracy and maladmin-

After Bishop Ransom and the board he had selected to try Bishop Sims had retired to another church in New York City, Bishop Davis impaneled a jury of Bishop Sims's supporters, which promptly acquitted the First District prelate of any wrongdoing.

Just as Bishop Ransom attempted to assemble the "court" at another New York church, attorneys or Bishop Sims rushol

Bishop Sims.

special session of the General A week long hearing was held
He admitted that he was pres-Conference in Little Rock, Ark before New York Supreme Court

Justice Samuel Dickstein on this

Women Most Violent Partisans at Hearing; The agree American Ballingere, Md. Saf. 10-12-4 Form Self-Appointed Guards for Favorites

the trial of the AME bishops which has been in progress erto, the revelations of the bishops rious. in Supreme Court here for the past two weeks is the fanation of their own lack of brotherly

cal attitude of the women church members. They jam the court each 'day, arriving early and filling up the seats so that even some of the ministers vitally concerned are forced to stand the entire day.

So interested are the lady folk that when the judge declares a recess for lunch they refuse to budge for fear of losing their choice places.

They have worked out a system among hemselves whereby some women will hold the seats of others while they slip out a few Mr. Matthews minutes for a sandwich at the corner drug store, return-also interesting.

Bishop Monroe Davis, who likes ing in a jiffy to keep from missing one word of the testiloud colors and frequently ap-

While the men are bitter and there are no holds barred has been the epitome of dignity in their rabid partisanships, the women are even more dead-throughout the trial, wearing only than the males in expressing their feelings pro and con. ly severe black.

about the virtues of one group of prelates and the vicious-style. ness of the other. They are anxious and willing to believe Bishop D. Ward Nichols, one of anything, matters not how bad, against the other side, and wears black most of the time, but refuse to believe anything evil about their side, matters on one occasion were a suit of not how clever the opposing attorneys are in proving that west. what their favorite witness said under oath was not wholly

Their minds are already made up and no amount of testimony a cross-examination uncovers is going to change them. Everything is all black and white. There are no intermediate shades.

So enthused are some of them Although this trial affects one he youngest prelates, wears sevso enthused are some of them. Although this trial affects one he youngest prelates, wears severattled in the courtroom before in championing the cause of their of the biggest Christian denomination and patterns of brown and dark the case is over is a matter of respective prelates that everytions in the Nation, it has been grey with invisible stripes and speculation, but the ministers and time the court adjourns a num interrupted twice on account of sheeks, all cut on ecclesiastical laymen are not only enjoying the flock around their favorite bishop The judge and chief counsel on. The bishops show marked in spectacle immensely, but between

Bone of Contention

and form an honor guard, glar-both sides are Jewish. ing and babbling dire threats at the various men folk if they dare The presence of the attorneys bons or chains.

the various men look in they date. The presence of the attorneys bons of chains.

Spoiling for Fight

Some of the women are spoil-case to a head.

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Ing for a fight and those whom When Bishop Sims appeared beling for a fight and those wom When Bishops' Council in Kannever misses a word. He is used they consider their enemies would fore the Bishops' Council in Kan-never misses a word. He is used only have to crook a finger to sas City, he was accompanied by to argument as he served in Conset off a hair-pulling contest in his attorney, a Mr. Lieberman, gress for several years before he who made the trip with the dele-was appointed. Inside the courtroom where or gation which appeared in his dethe corridors.

der is maintained by a corps of fense. bailiffs, the judge frequently has The presence of an attorney leagues in the management of the to rap for order when a mumble committed to an alien faith which affairs of the church, the opposing approval or condemnation does not recognize the Divinity bishops have little to do with of approval of condemnation does not recognize the private bishops have fittle to do with arises spontaneously every time of Christ, the foundation on which each other during the trial, sitting arises spontaneously every time of Christ, the foundation on which each other during the trial, sitting witness makes a statement the AME church is built, has been on opposite sides of the courtwhich they either want to hear played up in an appeal to relig-room. The two groups go to lunch or to which they take violent ob-ious prejudice, now somewhat separately and don't even exnullified by the presence of attor-change the time of day in the corneys on both sides.

to convert them.

Pulls No Punches

Bishop George Curry pulled no punches in expressing his attitude toward his colleagues.

Whenever he mentioned any of those on the opposing faction, he always referred to them as "my

At one time he called them a gang of lynchers" because they had suspended him.

The attitude of the bishops was

pears in a frock coat of light tan,

They argue violently with anybody who will listen steel gray suit in the cut-away

Bishop Greene Impressive

Bishop S. L. Greene, who moves about with ponderous dignity, wears a black frock coat and morning trousers. He is the most impressive man in the courtroom.

Bishop DeWard Nichols, one of

Avoid Each Other

Although they are equal col-

the opposing sides are scraping the bottom of the barrel looking to the witness stand.

ousted or not.

That is the bone of contention and their vote under oath should continued, "which the church settle the matter and save a lot cannot afford. If I were the of recrimination and mud slinging, which does neither the bishops nor the church any good.

Digs Up Old Letter One minister is reported to have dug up a letter 25 years old which one bishop is said to have written to his wife. Another will be called upon to prove whether or not he was intoxicated on a certain date.

How much will be dragged in and how many skeletons will be of them wore gold crosses on rib-toss on the holy garments of their

Baltimore, Md. Scathing Denunciation

of Sims Delivered 16 TRIAL IS HALTED

Police Called to Quell Hearing in Brooklyn

By RALPH MATTHEWS

BROOKLYN, N.Y.—Using the powers vested in him by the AME Discipline, Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom, acting senior bishop, late Wednesday, ordered a special convotober at Little Rock, Ark.

The order followed a hectic day of charges and counter charges, a Chief, AFRO National Bureau

NEW YORK—One of the most interesting angles of had no belief in Christianity hithtrial of the AME bishops which has been in progress erto, the revelations of the bishops upreme Court here for the past two weeks is the fanation of their own lack of brotherly attitude of the women church is incompared to the other. Many believe that the has the summoning of two police and that a squads to quell disorder, shouting and yelling reminiscent of a football game and a scathing denunciation by Bishop Ransom of their own lack of brotherly attitude of the women church many believe that the has the summoning of two police and that a squads to quell disorder, shouting and yelling reminiscent of a football game and a scathing denunciation by Bishop Ransom of their own lack of brotherly attitude of the women church many believe that the has the summoning of two police and that a squads to quell disorder, shouting and yelling reminiscent of a football game and a scathing denunciation by Bishop Ransom of their own lack of brotherly attitude of the women church many believe that the has the summoning of two police and that a squads to quell disorder, shouting and yelling reminiscent of a football game and a scathing denunciation.

Two attempts to place Bishops Sims and W. A. Fountain, senior for crumbs of dirt to be smeared prelate on trial on charges of con- 2 2 5 on the other when each is called spiracy, had been blocked by Sims's supporters.

The whole case of the bishops could be settled in ten minutes fusion at the Bridge St. Church if the litigants and their attorneys here, and the second was blocked were willing to forego the legal by a last minute injunction re- m hokus pokus which is costing the straining Bishop Ransom from church thousands of dollars, and holding the hearing at Union the prelates weeks of valuable Bethel AME Church. Sims Denounced

Since the issue is whether the Plainly irritated, Bishop Rancouncil voted Sims in or out of som, in accepting the court order, when York, all that would be nec-declared that Bishop Sims had essary is to call all of them be-cost the AME Church more money 3 fore the bench, swear them in and in the last two years than had let them say if they want him been spent upon all of the other g bishops in 150 years.

"This is an extravagance," he devil I could think of no better method of destroying the church than Bishop Sims has now employed to have the bishops at g

each other's throats and to scat. ≥ 5 ter the people.

"We are not here to railroad." nor condemn anybody out of hand. We simply want, through the agreement of the majority of the bishops, to put the church back in order so that it can continue to function. nor condemn anybody out of nor condemn anybody out of hand. We simply want, through

"Under the present arrangement, all of the bishops are under charges except one and he

der charges except one and he is sick he charges has can be settled here today, the church is important tent and it is a reflection, not "Unless this can be settled the here today, the church is impotent and it is a reflection, not only upon the great AME Church, but upon the whole race, because it substantiates race, because it substantiates the charge that we are incapable and not ready to govern our, selves." Baltimore, Md.
Take Over Trial

The trial scheduled for the Bridge St. AME Church was broken up in confusion when Bishops Monroe H. Davis and Sims marched into the session and by force of voice took over the meeting. Jab. 10-The trial had progressed to the

point where a jury had been seecclesiastical robes, acting as pre-

Chief. AFRO National Bureau The temporary clerk was in the

thority to interfere with a re- In the latter eventuality, all of delegates in their conferences Bishop Sims ligious service or to make anythe delegates here and those still were notified of the call is a self-church believe. At this moment, somebody be sent back home. Headquarters for operate and carry out the laws of African Methodist in or out of the laws of African Methodis gan to sing, "We Shall Not Be the conference are set up at Beth- the church.

y picked up their bags and withdrew for a caucus in the study.

Church, Schenectady and Dean sion which they charge is illegally

Aves. All of their partisans fol called. Ballimose, The majority faction, headed by special session, Bishop Reverdy C. praying.

around the AFRO reporter and Instead, it is demanding the re-Henry Sims or the AME Church." line."

Instead, it is demanding the re-Henry Sims or the AME Church. Then stating that Bishop Sims or regained until after the sestion was only one case despite his not regained until after the sestion was only one case despite his not regained until after the sestion was over Them the sestion in correct with Bishop Ransom, vice-senior bishop has won only one case despite his not regained until after the sestion was over Them the Book of Disciplance and Dis ministers and women ganged guns on Bishop Sims at all.

of his faction to pray

The adro-american Raltimose, Md. Hearing Set to Decide

on Legality of Session MONEY TIED UP

Church's Future Held

Dominant Issue

By RALPH MATTHEWS Chief, AFRO National Bureau

ference of the AME Church is not of. scheduled to open until Wednesday morning, but already approximately 1000 delegates from all

session is called to settle.

with the conference, came up be-

e continued in force or whether himself. defendants will be granted a counter-injunction restraining the majority of the bishous from pro-

gy in a legal conference Sunday mittee of the New York Annual Bishop Sims since May 3, 1945,

not regained until after the sestinat Bisnop Fountain, senior bisn-bisnop italison, vice-senior bisnop to the contrary, it assion was over. They threatened op, by acting in concert with Bish-of the AME Church explained that contentions to the contrary, it assion was over. They threatened op, by acting in concert with Bish-of the AME Church explained that contentions to the contrary, it assions one "Christianity and Methodism" in the contrary is assion was over. to smash the camera if he tried op Davis, Bishops' Council secre-his personal relations with Bishop to take any pictures.

Following this, Bishop Davis began to call on different members of his faction to Sat. 11-23-46

Action to Save Charles and Church explained that contentions to the contrary, it as service presided over by Bishop's service presided over by Bishop's was abandoned, two discontinued, a service presided over by Bishop's tary, against the will of the ma-Sims, presiding prelate over the two amended and are pending and three ruled in favor of the adversaries.

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Action to Save Church

the bishops charge.

In answer, the defendants charge legally and that none of the dele-fraudulent divorce from his first. The release also cites the case of Speaking of the "newer, urgent gates in the conferences officiated wife and married the present one. Bishop George C. Curry, prelate of challenges," Dr. Dawber pointed and challenges and Chilebonne stations.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—The spe-iness for which the conference is ial session of the General Con-called has already been disposed

Conspiracy Charged

fore Judge Trimble.

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Guilt Evident Says Majority

Upholding Bishop Ransom, the he had asked the Federal court to On Sept. 12, Mrs. Abbie CleN.Y. Show Cause Committee, in a stay proceedings, alleging that ment Jackson, executive secretary of the majority group charges that circular, points out first that the only the General Conference could of the Women's Home and Foreign eding with the special session the admission on the part of the whole trouble "is not caused by handle the issue. Sims-Davis group that none of the four disgruntled ministers' as

the District who can prove that

Moved," which rocked the church el AME Church, with full sessions and the police withdrew to the to be held in the Municipal Auditorium. The Davis-Sims factorium and prayed intermittently, until Bishops Ransom, Wright, Green, Nichols, Madison and others quietted.

The church.

The recalcitrant bishops, they four disgruntled ministers' are reduty-bound to hold sponsible for Fountain's dictator-these conferences and determine ship, Sims's maladministration, Members of the Davis-Sims factorium. The will of their members reduced by a reduced infraction which they must answer reached the point where he real Court in Washington.

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Explaining the reason for the Davis-Sims group singing and Bishop Greene, changed its strate-Ransom and the Show Cause Com- ord of the cases by and against During the course of the uproar, night and is not directing its big Conference said last week that pointing out that "he has broken inisters and women ganged guns on Bishop Sims at all." "from now on it is either David every rule in the Book of Discip-

Every Rule Broken, It Says

The document reviews the rec-

Davis Also Condemned

"It is only as a public servant cause of the action of the two AME Church that I am compelled cites the actions by Bishop Monroe glory of Methodism is that a man of English, the Council, which is em-to oppose and repudiate his actions H. Davis citing especially "his un may believe anything. We as "Davis citing especially believe anything. We as "Davis citing especially the council by the council powered to superintend the affairs and the damaging incidents that lawful sale of the \$42,000 Kittrell Methodists must think of humani 2 of the church, cannot carry out mark his public career," he stated. College endowment" and his set ty without regard to pigmenta-

add, the church will be without president of Allen University in Regarding the last issue, the supervision until 1948, until a reg- South Carolina in 1932 on the eve committee says that "the orderly Dr. Mark A. Dawber, executive in the orderly Dr. Mark A. Dawber D to South Africa.

Before leaving for Africa, he of Bishop Davis." that the conference was called il-added, Bishop Sims obtained a

with money, power and great in- was tried, found guilty and su-grips. Davis and Sims charge that the fluence; but the records show that spended after action by ministers segregation makes it impossible greaters.

reputations and remove them from publicity than any other bishop, he outside of their boundaries to vote tion will need the voice and leadthe corridors of the Federal their positions of confidence, trust, said, but he has also hailed the approval of the special session, the ership of the church to correct bourt were jammed Monday morn bonon and proof in the church to correct boundaries to vote the chu Court were jammed Monday mornhonor and profit in the AME church into court through injunc-committee States:

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Churchgoers in Mobs

YORK -"Christianity gards 'neither God nor man' in his leaves one bewildered," rew for a caucus in the study. The order enjoins Dr. A. S. reported at the official General unto himself," the committee Philadelphia, in addressing 1500 or Quietly they spread the word Jackson, financial secretary of the Conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges that his administration of people of the conference headquarters but has charges the conference headquarters but has charges the conference headquarters but has charged the conference headquarters but has charg around that they were proceeding church, from disbursing any funds set up headquarters in a Presby. the First District is a "menace to the AME Zion Sesquicentennial" with their trial at the Union Bethel for the conduct of the special sesterian Church several blocks away.

'The lynchers of the South are for the most part members of Christian churches," he pointed out. "In realms of human brotherhood, Christianity has yet to prove that it can absorb the teaching of the oriental

The bishop's address was on!

The Show Cause Committee also liefs, Bishop Alleyne said, "The s functions.

In addition, he declared that he ting up a "rump" court to try nine tion of skin . . . one world must build the church will be without prevented Bishop Sims's ouster as bishops and acquit Bishop Sims.

have a common race."

ular session of the General Con- of the General Conference in administration of justice as pro- secretary of the Home Missions ference is called. During the in Cleveland, at which Sims was ele-vided for in the Book of Discipline Council of North America, stated: terim, the church can disintegrate, vated to the bishopric and assigned of the AME Church completely col- "The church must set itself with lapsed before the vicious onslaught unflinching energy to clean up the religious racketeering that is go-S The release also cites the case of Specking of the "situations."

gates in the conferences officiated wife and married the present one. over by the five defendant bishops were notified of the call.

Moreover, they say that the business for which the conference is called has already been disposed of.

Conspiracy Charged

Wife and married the present one. Bishop George C. Curry, prelate of challenges," Dr. Dawber pointed Arkansas and Oklahoma, stating out that becoming increasingly acute is the question of race, and that there are six litigations acute is the question of race, and against him in the 12th District.

Among other things, it is of segregation represents the most charged, Bishop Curry was enserious problem with which the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District," he continued, "David joined from presiding or disposing Christian Church must come to the pal District, and the pal District and the pal District and the pal District and the pal District and

over the nation have converged cy on the part of the other nine sonal aggrandizement, profit and Sims Challenge Held Illogical segregation makes it impossible for people to secure their just on the city. The delegates represent both and "strip them of their preroga- Not only has Bishop Sims caused statement challenging the right of cially and religiously. The political statement challenging the right of cially and religiously. The political statement challenging the right of cially and religiously. factions of the controversy that the tives, besmirch and destroy their more disrepute and unfavorable certain annual conferences to meet cal and economic life of the national conferences to meet call and economic life

the bishops against Bishops Sims, been tried on these charges in an bined.

Davis, Curry, Fountain and Tookes, ecclesiastical court and found not restraining them from interfering guilty.

where it pleases and the Bishop of cent events particularly in the Annual Conference has the South, in the election of Bilbo and the things for which he stands right to say when it shall meet and Talmadge, are an illustration and the things for which he stands right to say when it shall meet and Talmadge, are an illustration and the things for which he stands right to say when it shall meet and Talmadge, are an illustration and the bishops of the content of They refer to the trial conduct be paramount to the peace of the There are no other restrictions on since these men could not be elect-

Ministers' Exonerated group points out that previously way of practising it," he added.

Upholding Bishop Ransom, the he had asked the Federal court to On Sent 12 Mrs Abbie Clean

Missionary Society of the AME Zion Church, reported that her

Davis Suspended

Fountain Exonerated as Other Bishops Draw Clean Bill of Health

> By RALPH MATTHEWS Chief, AFRO National Bureau

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—The historic extra session Bishop Sims. of the General Conference of the AME Church came to a peaceful close here Friday night with the expulsion of two bishops, the suspension of one and the revision who supervises the Arkansas attorney, took responsibility for Frank Madison Reid sounded the of the Book of Discipline to prevent a recurrence of the Bishop Curry, now takes over that it was obtain a without Bishhe delivered the opening sermon E & E turbulent events which for the past two years his vehe Baltimore conference for op Davis's "instigation of knowlthreatened to split the denomination in twain.

Here is what the conference

• Expelled Bishop David H. Sims, stormy figure of the First AME Episcopal District.

 Expelled Bishop George E. Curry, equally controvered sial figure in the 12th and 14th AME Episcopal Districts.

• Suspended Bishop Monroe H. Davis of the Second AME Episcopal District, whose moves as secretary of the Bishops' Council were under fire. His suspension will continue until action of the annual session of the Bishops' Council in February, 1947.

· Exonerated Bishop W. A. Fountain of the Sixth AME

• Gave all other members of the board of bishops a conferences to slash by twoclean bill of health with the thirds all burdensome assessA writ of replevin was ference and substitute the Rev. hours Tuesday morning, Judge Thomas C. Trimble had said: exception of H. Y. Tookes of ments against their members served on the Rev. George Russell Brown of St. Louis. Florida, who failed to attend with the power to use their Sims, brother of Bishop Sims, A howl arose from the 1,500 "I should like for you people, the session. The council was own discretion as to which as and a deputy sheriff searched rushed up on the platform to present the ciplinary measures against which were not, against their members served on the Rev. George Russell Brown of St. Louis. "I should like for you people, and the bishops, the heads of this church, to get together and try to ciplinary measures against which were not, against their members served on the Rev. George Russell Brown of St. Louis. "I should like for you people, and the bishops, the heads of this church, to get together and try to ciplinary measures against which were not, against their members served on the Rev. George Russell Brown of St. Louis. "I should like for you people, and the bishops, the heads of this church, to get together and try to ciplinary measures against which were not, against their members served on the Rev. George Russell Brown of St. Louis. "I should like for you people, and the bishops, the heads of this council was own discretion as to which as and a deputy sheriff searched rushed up on the platform to present the change on the grounds settle this matter without the ciplinary measures against which were not, ciplinary measures against which were not,

him it felt necessary.

BISHOPS RE-ASSIGNED

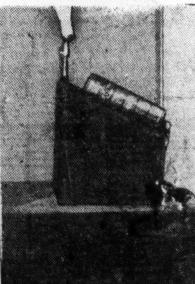
the General Conference in his Rev. Mr. Sims in an effort to get ligence and can arbitrate this matter in a calm and Christian spirit thorizing the Bishops' Councillation work of the expelled and sus-of the conference. Sat III 30-44 and yelled at Presiding Bishop apart and destroying it, and causing such confusion as must follow.

Unable to recover any rolls Greene, "You have your steaming such confusion as must follow.

Pichop P. P. Wright In To one proceeds the holds verted roller working now but you will to Bishop and a presiding such confusion as must follow.

Too Big for Dissention

What Was Left



Episcopal District, who as After three days of noisy sessions Fountain. This office was with conspiracy to thwart the rocked two bishops and suspendfilled at the special meeting.

Sims's Brother Made Issue

with a closed Bible.

ceeds Bishop Sims as presi- by a vote of 812 to 94 expelledtion being in position to tie up

continue over the Mississippi deliberately, capitulated early conference, and in addition Wednesday morning and appeared over the naming of the Episcopal he takes over the Philadel- before the episcopal committee. phia, Delaware and maritime At that time, he disavowed reprelates, as the warring factions

Baber to Baltimore

Bishop George W. Baber, Josiah F. Henry Jr., Baltimore Conference, formerly under optaining the injunction and said merly under Bishop Davis.

over the Oklahoma conference nial and voted that he appear beconferences formerly under by a vote of 960 to 14. Bishop Davis.

in their former posts.

Bishops' Council call for the flaring high.

On several occasions, this threates pandemonium reigned.

Pamphlets, papers, pe age and length of service.

elected president.

effort to retrieve records of that it was unfair to prosecute the court's intervention.

reprisals against any member

Bishop R. R. Wright Jr. re- or records, the body voted roller working now, but you will

mains as bishop of the Tennes- that an entire new roll be road."

Too Big for Dissention

"You are too big a church to have the account to us down the have these dissentions, and instead of doing these things you should defiance of the prelate's and continues to supervise left for New York on the secwishes.

Authorized the mancial the work of the New Jersey, ond day of the conference.

New York and New England Immediately after the condown when the majority faction "Try to settle this thing among conferences of Bishop Sims's ference by a vote of 999 to 35 refused to take any chances on yourselves in a charitable Christist District. He also suc-had ousted Bishop Sims and any member of the Sims-Davis fac-tian spirit, and do not depend up

dent of the Publishing Board. Bishop George E. Curry, the the conference. Bishop Noah Williams Suc- episcopal committee began They pointed out that Bishop Davis had been able to do just possibly operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation operation operation operation operation operation operation of charges that since last June when he held possibly operation o

Josiah Henry Takes Blame conferences formerly under sponsibility for the injunction re- jockeyed to get delegates favorstraining A. S. Jackson, financial able to their respective sides on secretary of the church, from paythis powerful committee. ing conference expenses.

Bishop J. H. Clayborn takes fused to accept Bishop Davis's de-

Bodyguards Appointed

The strong-arm squad, recruited massive auditorium. This official can now be re- from the Ninth St. area, were asleagues as occurred in the vision of Patrolman Lottie Bergie, sion.

The biggest flareup came when

David H. Sims, out of the post ing in that direction.

Other verbal scrimmages resulted over the naming of the Episcopal to the Committee whose duty it is to the Episcopal to the

Calls for Cleaning Up which practically called for the destruction of those who had defied the will of the majority of the

church. A similar sermon was preached formerly under Curry and the fore the judiciary committee to to a packed house at Bethel North Carolina and Virginia give an accounting of his actions Church the previous night by the Rev. Willard Leake, national evangelist

fied the will of the majority of the

ishop Davis.

The long-awaited special sess.

The other bishops remain sion of the AME General Conference of the revised rules of the noon, Wednesday, with tempers ishops' Council call for the On several occasions, this threat-

election of a president of the ened to burst out in physical vi-council to assume the duties olence before order was restored and posters of all descriptions and formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of opinion and advocating formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of the controversy formerly ascribed to the sen- by a group of strong-arm deputies shades of the controversy formerly ascribed to the senior bishop, a post attained by maintain order.

Because the bishops, in the mimoved by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session property when he fails to consumption to the dictates of his column to the super- and have delegates attend the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the massigned one to each of the 10 bishnority, were so certain the session by the vote of the vote of

As a result, they faced delegates composed almost entirely of the opposing faction.

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The biggest flareup came when only the spirit of charity on the bishops following the the majority of bishops put part of these representatives the majority of bishops put part of these representatives the majority of bishops a plan to ease the Rev. saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. Saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. Saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. Saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. Saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. Saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. Saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. Saved them all from being unthrough a plan to ease the Rev. George Sims, brother of Bishop frocked, once the ball started roll-

Alexander, who tossed a bomb-was expelled), you can't hell into Wednesday's session by here. sking that the judge disqualify In addition to Bishops Greene Sims "Out of Town imself, backed Sims into a corner and Ransome, the other prelates Sims was known to be waiting n his educational background. No Yale Graduate

Dramatically, on Wednesday, lexander produced a letter from the secretary of Yale stating that 10 D. H. Sims had ever graduated from that university or ever been registered there.

In addition, the attorney sub-, mitted a Yale directory for the year 1916 which failed to list the witess as a student at the institution during that year.

Flustered, Sims said he had DISIUL aken "summer courses" at Yale.

Disqualification Refused

In his motion for a continuance f the hearing with a new judge, Alexander said his action was based on the request of 10 bishops who felt Judge Welsh was

counsel in his chambers for two last month.

hours the difference was called by Thursday morning's session served this action until hearing of the church in the place of Rev. tion against Bishop Sims and the Bishop S. L. Greene, who was rolled into high when Alexander the decision of the New York Su J. A. Portlock, who was assigned interpretation of the means used designated to preside over the declared that no matter what the preme court that ruled last week to the congregation by Bishop R. to exercise that power. . . . outcome of court litigation, thethat the unfrocking in Little Rock R. Wright Jr., Sims' successor as "... It is the court's conclusion the AME Church again. Justice Samuel Dickstein last trict.

This brought forth loud mutter-week ruled in a court action that ings from Sims's supporters, who Sims brought against the council.

Sims Wright Jr., Sims' successor as "... It is the court's conclusion the Conference of the First Episcopal distant not only did the Bishops' trict following Sims's expulsion.

Council have the power to relieve at a special General Conference Bishop Sims of his duties in the in Little Rock.

Simultaneously the fued between New York conference but, that on

had been audibly voicing their dis-two months ago that according to most of the morning.

The judge then asked what in the law.

\$4,200 salary because he would no as presiding bishop.

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Session that of the Bishop's ouster.

gathered about the two men, many However, his chances of lining session of the conference. trying to speak. Suddenly, there up any followers will be greatly Plaintiff in the suit is Bernard if the conference.

Apparently not wanting to be the status of a layman. mixed up in the excitement, Judge bishopric, he automatically re-

Remark Irks Rev. Curry The Rev. Mr. Curry said later over a congregation. that he had been incensed because Immediately after the extra seshe Rev. Mr. Clark had shouted sion the bishops were contemplat-'you've been suspended (Curry ing such action but wanted to wait

Council Moves To Expel Prelate From AME Church

Refusing to disqualify himself,

Judge Welsh said he had only met

Sims twice at public affairs and

NEW YORK—The Bish
In New York City, it was reported that in an effort to split

Judge Dickstein made it clear

PHILADELPHIA

The denomination he was fighting that the court was not concerned issued by Judge did not know him personally. He Methodist Episcopal church for control of Bethel AME church, with the truth or falsity of accusa Eugene Alessandroni in Commo said the court was neutral and was this week was taking steps and its membership of more than tions leveled at Bishop Sims in Pleas Court No. 5 Friday, the only concerned with whether this week was taking steps and its membership of more than tions leveled at Bishop Sims in Pleas Court No. 5 Friday, the only concerned with whether this week was taking steps and its membership of more than tions leveled at Bishop Sims in Pleas Court No. 5 Friday, the Church law had been followed into expel from the church Ra-2,000 persons to serve as the nuhis administration of the Rev. Mr. Sims was enjoined from

court and conferred with opposing conference of the denomination as the Independent AME church.

When he was unfrocked of his Welsh quietly withdrew to his verted to being an elder in the church, which meant that he was still a minister and could preside

down his decision.

who attended various sessions of also because in the event the verthe hearing included Bishops J. A. dict had been rendered in his The Rev. Mr. Sims had testified Gregg, Noah Williams, R. R. favor it meant that he would still on Monday that he held, among Wright Jr., D. Ward Nichols, be a bishop and that all steps taken others, a degree in theology from Frank M. Reid, George Baber, by the bishops subsequent to their world. J. A. Claiborne and A. J. Allen Sr. Little Rock action would be null

being changed at present and that which had restrained Bishop been decided by the governing wright from performance of his body of the church, and should be church has been formulated they would be announced.

a bishop and his connection with of the AME General Conference the church is not clear, Sims this two weeks ago at Little Rock, Ark week dominated news of the de- which expelled Bishop Sims an nomination coming from several reassigned Bishop Wright to the

Sims is fighting to have Rev. wrote, "is the issue of the power Diamond and Woodstock Sts.

Simultaneously the fued between New York conference but, that on sent with the attorney's argument the church's Book of Discipline, Sims and Bishop Sherman L. June 21, the power was properly most of the morning.

Which governs them, their actions Greene, named to take over certain and effectively exercised. in Little Rock were entirely with duties formerly performed by "... The temporary injunction thrown a monkey-wrench in the Sims, was carried into the Com-heretofore granted is dissolved."

would be the church's action if the He dismissed an action for an mon Pleas and the U.S. District In denying an injunction to Bish-Supreme Court ruled Sims had injunction brought by Sims and courts in Philadelphia Wednesday, op Sims, Judge Dickstein granted been ousted illegally.

Alexander said the best Sims cessor Bishop Richard R. Wright In Chicago out anding AME his counterclaim asking for "incould hope for was to be a "bishop Jr., enjoining Sims and others from churchmen and laymen openly junctive relief."

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be assigned. Hallimere, Mo Unfrocked 3 Weeks Ago

At this point, Bishop R. C. Ransom, one of the seven prelates in Council three weeks ago at an attendance Thursday, moved for extra session of the General Conward to make a statement. He ference in Little Rock, Ark., along was stopped by opposing counsel, with George E. Curry, Sims has

was stopped by opposing counsel, with George E. Curry, Sims has however, and the judge called for a recess. Sat. 12-28-44 dependent movement of the AME Alexander then went up to conference in his actions by Curry. Alexander then went up to conference attempted to counter of the Judge Welsh and a crowd gathered about the two men, many trying to speak. Suddenly, there

trying to speak. Suddenly, there up any followers will be greatly was a flurry of fists and Curry and clark came tumbling out of the church, reducing him from the church, reducing him to crowd.

Counsel for Bistop Sims had at-Court preventing the ousted prelimination of the trustee of this resolution was not specific to board of the Baltimore Annual Answering this, Judge Dickstein conference of the church.

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Sims Loses in N.Y. Court
Battle With Bishop Wrigh

David H. Sims to prevent Bishop Bishop Wright and the Efforts to contact Sims brought R. R. Wright Jr., from supplant Church were represented the answer "that he was out of the head of the New York Charles Porkony." I never doubted town resting."

However, one of his closest as Church were balked here Dec. 3, the AFRO. "The matter should sociates revealed that the confraction when Judge Samuel Dickstein dis never have come before the courts set-back had resulted in their plans."

the Supreme Court of New York Though he has been unfrocked as to the action of the special session County, came as an anti-climax New York, New Jersey and New England conferences of the Fir

accept the decision of the special The action whereby Bishop Federal

The Agro- american

emoving Sims.

The judge then recessed the by a special session of the general offshoot of the church to be known of the Philadelphia Conference of the depomination of the Philadelphia Conference of the Philadelphia Conferen

Had Obtained Restrainer Earlier, however, Sims had session by obtaining a Federal

injunction

The conference was held, but the language of the resolution Bishop Greene did not take over was deliberately phrased in the session he called for the purits present form in order to soften pose of meeting his new conthe blow to Sims so that his use-stituents. fulness in the remainder of the A special one-day session of the First Episcopal District would not Delaware Conference called by be completely destroyed. This Bishop Greene is also affected by face-saving device cannot be dis-the Federal Court order obtained

How Sims Settled a Second Suit The agro- american Baltimore, When the nation was called a by any any beld which critimes with after one ochol

His disportion is the wal of as expuesed to the cont

of discontinuance and return of security posted in each action may be A.M.E.'s Can Redeem Bad Investment

"It is understood that any orders outstanding are to be deemed abandoned and that the conference will proceed May 18, 19 and 20th, church is rapidly proving a bad investment for that con-

Court. "May 18, 1945.

"EDWIN L. GARVIN J.S.C. Bernard R. Leiberman Samuel Weisman Attorney for David H. Sims Attorney for Walton and Manning

Pokorny, Schrenzel and Pokorny Attorney for plaintiffs in action No. 1 and attorney for the defendants in Action No. 2.

Let The Church Roll On?" sgusted and humiliated by the action of certain their leaders, delegates attending the called-session of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church at Little Rock, Arkansas, have taken the affairs of their church in hand and are striking down evil in high places with resolute courage and forthright determination

In an unprecedented move on Thursday, they voted 9 to a mere 35 to expel Bishop David H. Sims from the bis opric for his persistent refusal to abide by the decision his church. In swift succession on Friday they voted 812 to 94 to expel Bishop G. E. Curry for conspiring with Bishop Sims to defeat the majority opinion of the Bishops' Council and for holding what they termed "a rump" session General Church Conference in Oklahoma.

In these two unprecedented moves of unfrocking two bishops for unbecoming conduct, the church has taken high ground. It could not be expected to do more. It was honor bound to do no less. For Bishop Sims and Bishop Curry as well have done irreparable injury to the influence and prestige of the AME Bishopric and have given all religion a "blackeye".

Unfortunate too, is the fact that the five bishops who supported Bishop Sims had to go so long and so far before seeing the folly in upholding the hands of two men, so steeped in their own selfishness that they would wreck their church to attain their ends. Just how much harm has been 2 done by such support remains to be seen.

Indications point to an even cleaner sweep before the 5 conference adjourns. For at this very moment, the fate of Bishop Monroe H. Davis lies in a critical balance as members of the Episcopal Committee are studying what dispo- 5 sition they will take toward him in the matter of falsification of the minutes of the Bishops' Council. It is more than an even guess that the Committee will take stern a measures in this case, too, since it appears not so radically 5 different from the others.

We reject in the determination of the AME's to clean up this unlovely matter once and for all times. The time has come and now is, when church people, not to mention church leaders, must turn to some other place than the courts of law to find the answers to matters of religion. For his photostat copy shows how Bishop David H. Sims settled a second what moral right have the churches to expect sin-sick souls uit filed in 1945 seeking an accounting of funds he had collected in the to turn to them to find their balm when within they are Episcopal District. The agreement reads: "When this motion themselves rent with confusion, strife, jealousy, suspicion was called, a long argument was held which continued until after one and distrust, Either religion must become in practice what o'clock A.M. in the Kings County Court House, May 18, 1945. As a and distrust, Either religion must become in practice what result the parties, after conferring together, authorized their respective it shouts about so loud in theory—a potent force for good attorneys to discontinue all pending actions and motions—('without' in helping men to God and to a richer life—or else it will obliterated here) cost, such discontinuances to be effective immediately and appropriate stipulations to be drawn May 18, 1945; so that orders become a sham and a hollow mockery.

Bishop Sims of the New York district of the A.M.E.

1945, as planned and announced.

"This disposition is the wish of the parties as expressed to the nection. Generally speaking, we do not discuss churches because we have the feeling that religion, anybody's religion, is his business and it is up to us to respect that religion-so far as he himself respects it.

Church management by injunction and other legal procedure falls a long way short of the spiritual help

trials to stand trial it should York, Effort and manity's basic needs.

engrossed about of

meetings and save the church the embarrassment that comes from public feuds? But if the trouble must be brought out into the open, let the issues be made clear.

It is time for somebody to straighten out the muddle. Brotherly love, kindness, for bearance and forgiveness—these bearance and forgiveness—these foot in the mad scramble for dominance.

in for a large share of the spot pastors asking their support.

intendents, just as in the case of R. Wright Jr.

the Methodist Church. Bishops Varick, Rush, Moore Here is the letter:

and other early superintendents

August 6, 1946

Were elected by their colleague. My dear Pastor and Co-Laborer:

August 6, 1946

Tian spirit and do not depend upon ence and my appointment by my earnest prayer and hope the court to settle the matter.

The Council of Bishops to sup-that every Bishop together elders to provide supervision for The Lord has blessed us. Our "You are too big a church to ervise that portion of the Dis-with such other witnesses as an increasing denomination.

Some 52 years elapsed beforebeen approved by you, by experi- of doing these things, you should trict assigned to me, and on may be desired by our attortablished. Resides Bishen Vision Wednesday, December 4, they neys—will set aside whatever tablished. Besides Bishop Var There is conflict between the abilities in building up your assembled a congregation in else that might engage them ick, Loven Smith, Christopher righteous and the unrighteous race.

Rush, William Miller and George The whole First Episcopal District, including you, has rallied in suspension of another need not the capacity of the auditorium. Preceding December 19th or copates of this period.

The Courte of the ballocked to as a settlement of As was expected we were such other date that Judge

Early Leaders Influential

The present episcopacy of the AME Zion Church exceeds, as a group, all previous leaders of the denomination. The senior bishop, retired, is Paris Wallace. Others are Bishops Benjamin Shaw, William Walls, John Martin Cameron Alleyne, Elijah Madison (died June 25, 1946), William Brown, William Slade, Buford Gordon, Frank Alstork, and Ed-

gar Watson agro-american Report Is 46 Out of 62

May Have Turned /

only to the authority of Bishop R. fathers themselves to state.

while Bishops Lynwood Kyles and you to facilitate these matters.

Faithfully yours, D. H. Sims, Bishop

ribulations Notepad Scratches

By W. I. GIBSON

have afflicted the AME Church in whom the fault lies. recent years have nauseated many An Upen Letter who, through tradition, have turned An Upen Letter to the church for leadership.

tressing spectacle in many moons than the sickening display of bigotry, hatred, greed and disrespect for lawful and orderly procedure My dear Colleagues:

The same day furnished by some of the "leadThe status are described by some of the "leadthe courts ordered the status quo, ership" in a denomination embrac-

which the Democrats and Republi- give you the following: cans have never known, have been Subsequent to the edict of actions his delphia, Ja.

Said Judge Trimble:

progress and expansion which a

he Ofro American have demonstrated their unfitness for high office. Church officers who

It is as true today as it was centuries ago: Christianity has not The trials and tribulations which failed; it is the Christians within

There has been no more dis-

By Bishop Greene

I presume you will be pleas-A. M. E. Church might have

foot in the mad scramble for dom- the First Episcopal District, I and other clarifications of the inance. Said 11-30-4 commenced at once enlisting restrainer, among them, as to inance. Sat //-3/4 commenced at once enlisting restrainer, among them, as to Oddly enough, a Southern white the close-up cooperation and whether all funds are frozen arge share of the spot pastors asking their support. light at the Sesquicentennial cele. The AFRO was advised that church, here, Sept. 8-22.

The first bishops were super-signed an agreement to submit marily have expected the church was expected the church was expected to the church was ex ministers almost a unit in sup-in the historic procedure which tter:

"Try to settle this thing among Yourselves in a charitable Christian spirit and do not describe the settle this thing among Session of the General Conferfuture of our Church and it is port of the action of the Special we have felt imperative for the program of Kingdom Building nas have these dissensions, and instead ervise that portion of the Dis-with such other witnesses as

Among the episcopal leaders of cated our position. Now we shall the mid-19th century, Bishops Jo-move forward with normalcy, ening to go into court to upset the decision of the special general J. Moore, Singleton T. Jones, I am asking you a favor in our work to new and Joseph P. Thompson are effort to carry our work to new to the growth of Zion Methodism reach every member and follower to the growth of Zion Methodism reach every member and follower only must the entire philosophy to the group of bishops toof your local church. In order to stand out in the period beginning do that, I am requesting you to with 1888 included Calvin C. Pet-send me a list of your members it now, and Alexander Walters.

Present Bishops Excel

Methodism reach every member and follower only must the entire philosophy to the denomination be examined in gorder. To remove even the slightest appearance, however, of activity on my part, I relative to the unfrocked prelates is threat order which made it imperative order which made it imperative that the conference regard it that the conference regard Present Bishops Excel op, and you will have a copy of Bishops George Clinton, Johnthe same. Do this at once. ToSmall, John Alstork, Josiah Sam.day, please. If you will give this uel Caldwell, and George Black. your immediate attention, I will well were a later group of partic. thank you.

What Church Must Do

There must be far greater care and made no effort to attend the above referred to "Volunabilities of men before they are elevated to the bench, and there are elevated to the bench, and there will be a greater insistence upon.

I was informed that the minI was informed that the min-

George Clement were among the Don't fail your Bishop and church natters, par passed unanimously the reso-Your will be pleased at results.

The present episcopacy of the God bless you and yours.

The present episcopacy of the God bless you and yours. from the recent unpleasantness, the General Conference and there can be little hope for the pledging their whole-hearted progress and expansion which a support of me as the appointee denomination such as this should expect. Sat. 11-30-16 of the Bishops Council to super-in civil life there are established vise the work and all the minways of dealing with men who isters in attendance signed the resolution with the exception have violated their sacred trust of the Rev. E. H. Booker and should be dealt with in the same one other whom I do not remanner.

It is as true today as it was call. The Christian Reserves

Mr. Federal Justice Welch granted a preliminary hearing in the afternoon, preparatory to a full hearing later on. At this preliminary hearing I prayed that the time as stipulated for December 9th be extended to December 19th, or there about, according to the convenience of the court so that the

Lust for money and power seem situation in the Philadelphia proper witnesses to appear, totrouble. Power politics, the like of Conference and I am pleased to gether with all the records of the General Conference trans-

every way. The Courts of the be looked to as a settlement of As was expected, we were such other date that Judge Among the episcopal leaders of cated our position. Now we shall of the unfrocked prelates is threat.

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ularly distinguished episcopates; Your Presiding Elder will help elevated to the bench, and there was informed that the minwhile Bishops Lynwood Kyles and you the facilitate these matters were a greater insistence upon I was informed that the minfollowing orderly procedure in isters and people in attendance possible moment, at 3612 Cal-

S. L. GREENE

90 Per Cent of New York's the AME Church occasions regret and shame both in and

AME Ministers Reject Sims of the denomination. Sat. 9-7- Horizonte Instead of settling the matter amicably. Bishops David

Affidavits From 46 Recognize Only Bishop

H. Sims and R. R. Wright Jr. now await the verdict of a civil court to determine which of them is in charge. When 15 bishops, among them Bishop Sims, affixed their signatures to a resolution naming Bishop Wright "as-(Special to the AFRO)

sociate bishop . . . with full authority to act in the New York Conference," there was every indication that the existing breach had been healed.

out of the denomination.

Bishop Sims, it appeared, should have been the first the pastoral appointments in the

Bishop Sims, it appeared, should have been the first the pastoral appointments in the sociate" was used as a means of saving face for him. In Church state that Bishop David H. Wright from functioning.

While the Bishops' Council had authority to settle the preme Court of New York County of New York County fing one bishop over another or of removing one of theirs head of the conference "with G. Clark, James Capers, A. A. Amou Fitz Herbert Alleyne, J. L. Beach, T. S. H. There are 56 pastoral appointments in the ference. "Additional Clark, James Capers, A. A. Amou Carlos, A. A. Amou Carlos, A. A. Collins, J. U. Beach, T. S. H. There are 56 pastoral appointments in the ministers signing include:

The affidavits, on file in the Su. Clark, James, S. B. A. Galloway, A. Chester of the presiding one bishop over another or of removing one of theirs head of the conference "with G. Clark, James Capers, A. A. Amou Carlos, J. U. Beach, T. S. H. There are 56 pastoral appoint funds. H. Irons, M. Carpert, J. U. Beach, T. S. There are 56 pastoral appoint funds. H. Irons, M. J. Broomes, G. O. N. Davis, K. A. Collins, J. U. S. There are 56 pastoral appoint funds. H. Irons, M. J. Broomes, G. Corge M. Luck in the presiding bishop, the Council secretary and others to in it are in open rebellion to the Walker, Roscoe C. Henderson, B. E. S. Say that there must be some major, authority in the church bishop over their charges.

Refuse Sims Pulpit

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In addition, a number of theses. Head of the conference and the conference and the part of nine bishops over their charges.

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Jims Suit to Oust Wright From N.Y. Area Postponed conference slogan now is: "Sime rebels against the Bishops' Council and the Discipline of the Church. Members of the N.Y. An

By RALPH MATTHEWS YORK—Suit of Bishop tions of the country. Delegations David H. Sims to enjoin perman-from Georgia and South Carolina

Supreme Court, counsel for both were consumed in the preliminary A.M.E. Church), and are mem. Bshop M. L. Davis until the mid-R Harris; Palmetto, Rev. B S.

sionary Society Headquarters, 112 W. 120th St., where much huddling and choosing of sides was New York has taken on the as-

ect of a General Conference with

tor, have refused to accept Bishor Sims should he attempt to come to their pulpits.

Church. Members of the N.Y. An nual Conference rebel agains Sims and demand Wright."

R. R. Wright Jr. as Head of Annual Conference acknowledge Bishop Richard R. Wright, Jr., as the Bishop over the New York Annual Conference, with ful authority to act NEW YORK-Forty-six min-

Fountain Exonerated: Laily World Atlanta, Ga. Weel. 11-27-4 Suppression Ga. Conference Opens

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. - (S N S) the following appointments in the C

David H. Sims to enjoin perman-from Georgia and South Carolina entl Bishop R. R. Wright Jr. from were in court Monday morning on July 17, follows:

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — (S N S) the following appointments in the Conserving as associate bishop of the and a delegation from Florida We, the undersigned, being The extra session of the General Atlanta conference:

Church, was postponed on Mon-late for the trial.

The bishops also found the case Was called be over when they arrived at court. Ordinary ordinary ordinary more than 15 minutes of the African Methodist Episcopal Church Bishop S. L. Green presiding.

Church WEST ATLANTA DISTRICT:

Pose and say: That we are duly closed here Friday night in Robin-H. C. Carswell presiding elder: for the case was called be over when they arrived at court. Carbon Memorial Auditorium with Cosmopolitan, Rev. A. A. Hightow-Bishop S. L. Green presiding.

Church WEST ATLANTA DISTRICT:

Pose and say: That we are duly closed here Friday night in Robin-H. C. Carswell presiding elder: for can Methodist Episcopal Church Bishop S. L. Green presiding.

Church WEST ATLANTA DISTRICT:

eme Court, counsel for both were consumed in the preliminary A.M.E. Church), and are mem. Bshop M. L. Davis until the mid-R Harris; Palmetto, Rev. B S Claimed unreadiness for hearing before Justice O'Brien, bers in good standing of the winter session of the Bishops' Coun-Roberts; Cobb Bethel and New York Annual Conference. sides claimed unreadiness for hearing before Justice O'Brien, trial. Justice O'Brien on Tuesday and the attorneys were on their New York Annual Conference.

We hereby state that the ac-Committee being adopted 826 to 2. Keene; Sharpburgh, H. H. Kenner; Neither bisnops shift not wright arrived. Ward number of other prelates were there including Bishops Noah H. Williams, D. Ward Nichols, S. L. Green, George Baber, John Clayborn and Reversely C. Ransom.

Taking of Sides Reported

AME Church in Brooklyn of Senior Bishop W. A. Fountain complete exonerater; Fairburn, W. M. Whiters No. Wednesday. Mallimore. Medical properties in the city, as is Bishop Monapointed by Bishop Ransom, is one H. Davis, but neither was pressided to hear conspiracy charges ent in the court. They were, however, present in the court. They were, however, present in the court. They were, however, present in an in-majority of the bishops.

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York Annual Conference, is in adopted and Bishop Fountain an-mental, H. Jackson; St. Phillip, O. full accord with the provisions nounced the exoneration of the F. Maddox; Antioch, B. C. Carsof the A.M.E. Church Book of others, namely: Bishop R. C. Ran-well; St Peters, M. B. McLen-Discipline, Secs. 179-175, inclus- som, J. A. Gregg, Noah W. Wil-don; Turner Chapel, C. C. Ealey; F. ive, pages 195-6. The Images liams, S. L. Green, R. R. Wright, Amanda Flipper G. N. Jones. e, pages 195-6. And Amusica liams, S. L. Green, R. R. Wright, Amanda Flipper, G. N. Jones; We recognize and acknowl. Jr. D. Ward Nichols F M. Reid and Greater Bethel, R. M. Roberts; & edge the power, authority and John H. Clayborn. Thus ended the St. Luke, Rockdale Park, J. F. as aforesaid, and recognize and ATLANTA APPOINTMENTS

Booker; Smith Chapel, W. B. Shivers; Fountain Temple, W. McLengers; F

GRIFFIN DISTRICT, Rev. T. J.

ewis Suit Kept AME's rom Retrieving Money Judge Too Busy to Sign Release Papers,

S. but Chief Justice Acts; Bills Being Paid WASHINGTON, D.C. — (Afroif they decide to fight it out in National Bureau)—How John L.court as Bishop Sims has threaten National Bureau) — "Shine, Mis-attorneys unawares, and they tried Lewis, the coal miners' czar cros-ed to do.

Curry Accepts Fate

sed the path of the AME bishops

Annual Conference, acting on be-to the U.S. Supreme Court, if pots and brushes and drifted away tedly as confused as anybody else, Late Saturday night when his who was under charges, obtained some legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair turn-no legal lights. who was under charges, obtained some legal lights contend that business thoroughfare of the col-his hands of the whole affair, turn- no longer the defiant, arrogant tying up the finances of the gen-ruled that a religious body has en on the aspect of Times Square. Bishops to iron out their own paying any expenses of the special internal affairs, and that the Civil the special session of the General Conference. Court will not override church described by the special session of the AME ironed out, the General Conference had stepped ence was already under way.

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back in the good graces of the Sims's case is beyond repair.

In the judges' chambers, Judge Cobb argued: At the American

"I know John L. Lewis is big enough to tie up America and most of Europe, but he should not be allowed to interfere with the AME Church." Saltinione, Md.
The chief justice smiled and au-

thorized Mr. Justice McGuire to sign the order.

That is how Financial Secretary Jackson was able to get from under the court order and start paying off the bills incurred at Little Rock. Sal. 12 - 7 - 46
Lawyers Do Research

In the meantime, lawyers in Washington, New York, Philadelphia and other points, are having a field day pouring through musty volumes trying to determine whether or not Bishops David H. Sims and George E. Curry, who were unfrocked last week, have a case against the conference.

Opinion is evenly divided con-

Defections of Sims's Allies Resulted in His Undoing, Ralph Matthews Says Sat. 12-7-46 himself deserted by his three gen-

Fountain First to Desert; Then Curry, Davis erals, also sheathed his sword and

Destroy Unity; Only Brother Remained Loyal left the battlefield.

By RALPH MATTHEWS LITTLE ROCK, Ark. - (AFRO The trick caught the battery of ry was unconditional.

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Legality Debated

cal scalp, repudiated the action and sent telegrams asking that the injunction be lifted.

Judge Very Busy

Late this week, however, Finan special session, the chain being like into the traditional lackadaisical session, as its weakest link, pace so typical of Southern towns. again when the majority group went in to fight for his own sking 5.

Late this week, however, Finanspecial session, the chain being into the traditional lackadaiscal But here they were outsmarted a lost cause of the AME Church. Still unable to disburse any of the whole session can be declared church funds. The reason—John If it can be proved that, by any The labor leader became in technicality the session was illegal.

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the matter up with the chief jus-compromise favorable to Sims can another jurist to release the funds.

Appeals to Chief Justice

In the judges' chambers, Judge

Cobb argued: La Wao Armenican

To avoid this, they believe a At that time, the faction led by At the opening session on Bishop David H. Sims of Philadel-phia had challenged the legality of an injunction obtained by the majority preventing his interference with the holding of the trial colleagues.

However, by Wednesday night to compromise favorable to Sims can At that time, the faction led by At the opening session on an injunction obtained by the majority preventing his interference with the holding of the trial against him as he had done in However, by Wednesday night. against him as he had done in However, by Wednesday night, other courts of the land.

Bishop Davis slipped into the audiother courts of the land.

The court battle which lasted torium and took a seat in the rear Monday and Tuesday proved more on the rostrum. Bishop Curry, still of a trap for the Sims group than minus his robe, also eased in the rear.

The lawyers for the majority of By Thursday morning, Bishop bishops staged an unusual legal Davis had moved toward the front, maneuver. They first lured Bishop and evidence that he, too, had designed into the control the Simon into the control the control the simon into the control the c Sims into the court. Then they serted the Sims cause became apargued that the court had no juris parent when he asked permission diction either in their own case to address the conference. or in any counter-action attorneys for Sims might bring.

avowed all knowledge and respon-Made an Immediate Issue This was a clever trick in which sibility for tying up the church time was an accomplice. The issuefunds in Washington. was whether the conference It was known then that his capit-scheduled for noon Monday, could ulation was complete, because he proceed as planned. That meanino longer could challenge the le-that the court had to render a vergality of the session while actively participating.

Made Self a Participant

In an impassioned plea he dis-

dict pro or con immediately. But by raising the contentior Before he made his speech. the that this particular branch of the Rev. George Sims begged him to court had no jurisdiction, the ma hold out, but Bishop Davis saw jority gave the Sims advisers nothe handwriting on the wall and

joined his brother in flight and

time to go into the proper tribu-nal. By Friday morning the surrend-er of both Bishops Davis and Cur-

When the verdict against him The inquiry came languidly it did have authority to enforce belligerance gone, stood before the who just returned from "The Battle of Little Rock" was brought accepted the verdict of the church boys who remained at his post client.

| And the control of the church boys who remained at his post client. | The control of the suprement instead of the suprement instea Two weeks ago, the Baltimore but Sims is all set to carry the case but him had deserted their paste

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Judge Thomas Trimble, admit-penalty of expulsion. retirement instead of the supreme

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so involved in the government's They would then have to repeat case against Lewis that he had the entire process and expell Sims no time to sign the writ releasing all over again at great expense to the city the previous Sunday to were still there on the periphery from the secretaryship, finding the church funds.

Finally Judge Jas A. Cobb took To avoid this, they believe a proceedings in the Circuit Court.

The conference.

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E.'S Invade Little Rock, Yansas City, Ms. Fri.11-22-46 Unds Enjoined in East ence with the understanding tain, to hear complaints against that the said associate bishop shall have full authority to As the result of this meeting, act in the New York annual conference The document was discussed at

Hope To **Solve Sims** Controversy

Ministers and To Bishops' Call

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—(Special Kansas City, Kansas, June 21, 1946, to THE CALL)— This southern city is filled with hundreds of delegates, ministerial and laymen, of the African Methodist Episcopal church answering the call of a majority of the bishops for a special session of the General conference here Nov. 20 through 24, in the hope of successfully ironing out the difficulties which have arisen in the church.

The call for the special session was made by Bishops R. C. Ransom, J. A. Gregg, S. L. Green, G. B. Young, Noah W. Williams, R. R. Wright Jr., D. Ward Nichols, Frank Madison Reid, George W. Baber and John H. Clayborn. The call grew out of the trouble caused by complaints made against Bishop David H. Sims and certain ministers of the New York

Began Controversy in 1945

The bishops of the church entered the controversy in the spring of 1945 in Washington, D. , when Bishop W. A. Fountain,

In June of this year in New ork 12 bishops of the church ked Bishop R. C. Ransom, vice nior bishop, to preside over a seting of bishops in the absence

it was recommended that the bishops in their council in Kansas City, Kas., in June, relievelength by several other bishops Bishop Sims as presiding hishonand was passed by a vote of 15 of the New York conference and ing.

that conference be assigned to A motion was approved assign-This was done and Bishop R. Much agitation was stirred up Wright Jr., was made associate between June 21 and July 17, on bishop in order to "save the face" which date, an attempt was made of Bishop Sims. After a stormyto keep Bishop Wright from hold-Laymen Respond ment was reached July 25 Rishon Wright was tom. all-day session in which both sidesing the extra session of the New

The agreement made at the July 25, Bishop Wright was tem-Bishops' council meeting in Kan porarily enjoined and Sept. 23, was the date set for the trial to was the date set for the trial to e held. The question is, can an "associ-

In view of the fact that it is the judgement of the bishops that there, should be a change in the administration of the New York annual conference, the Bishops Council hereby appoint a bishop as associate bishop of the conference with the understand-bishop shall have full authority to act in the New York Annual conference. A notation at the side says "Bishop R. R., Wright Jr., assigned to New York." ing that the said associate

Signed: A. Fountain Sr., H. Clayborn, S. L. Greene. D. Ward Nichols, Noah W. Williams, G. E. Curry, R. R. Wright Jr., J. A. Gregg, George W. Baber, A. J. Allen, Reverdy C. Ransom,

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The Afron American
Had Power to Remove

Bishop M. H. Davis, Accused,

Must Face Trial November 14

FAKE NURSES SERVE PAPERS

Nine Bishops, Charged With Conspiracy, Acquitted in Texas

By STAFF CORRESPONDENT

at have "full power to act?" It is alleged that Bishop Fountain would not entertain a motion for the bishops themselves to inter ME Church had the legal right to remove Bishop David H. NEW YORK-The contention that the bishops of the throwing the whole matter int Sims from presiding over the New York Annual Conference the civil court, notwithstandingwas upheld by the N.Y. Supreme Court here last week. ity to settle the matter. A point still at issue, however, is whether or not the

Bishop Fountain, Bishop Sim procedure used by the Bishops' Council actually removed and four other bishops whose Bishop Sims, and for this reason 15 bishops will be questioning can be sociate" does not have full actually. It is expected that such questioning can sociate" does not have full aube concluded by Wednesday. Sociate does not have full aube concluded by Wednesday. Say they meant to give full au the case in which Bishop Sims thority to him.

Charges and counter-charge has been seeking to make pernaming many of the prelates of of an injunction preventing the AME church have resulted in Bishop R. R. Wright Jr. from "in-the attempt to oust Bishop Simsterfering" in the affairs of the from his New York "throne." New York conference to which he Court trials have been held lather council assembled at Kansas Church trials have been held. In the council assembled at Kansas junctions have been issued to City, Kansas last spring. stop the holding of trials. All in 9 Bishops Acquite

9 Bishops Acquitted After signing the agreement in With this much settled, atten Kansas City, Kas., several of thetion shifted last Wednesday to history Frank M. Reid by proxy names. It is thought by several accused of "immorality and mal

George B. Young by high churchmen this action was administration through a conspir taken because they were afraidacy" in removing Bishop Sims and bishops present with the ex Bishop Sims and his administration of Bishop M. H. Davis, his Annual conferences as he sawwith Bishop George B. Young appointed R. L. H. Davis, his Annual conferences as he sawwith Bishop George B. Young appointed R. L. H. Rice as counsel to represent taken because they were afraidacy" in removing Bishop Sims and the church, while R. E. Peters in the church, while R. E. Peters in the church, was counsel and V. M. Townsend, or secretary of the council.

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The bishops accused herein' have defiled and corrupted many of the ministers of the AME Conference whom they have used as agents and fellow conspirators in their wilful and malicious plot and scheme to malicious pl York Conference and replace him with Bishop R. R. Wright Jr. in order to gain control of the First Price and Control of the Contro the First Episcopal District Miles dominance over the AME 3 5 63 the First Episcopal District and Son Son dominance over the AME

were: Bishop A. J. Allen and the Revs. W. D. Wilkins, F. D. Cole 5 20

The charges had been brought the committee brought in a vero by C. M. Washington, R. C. Cone, dict of "not guilty" for all of the solution of the New York conference.

Davis, of Baltimore, in Septembe H E o weight the complaints.

church conferences of the A. M. E. Church." Fights and other disturbances in Maryland, Ohio and New York were cited in the suit.

The defendants also were charged with threatening to interfere with the operation of Payne Negro Colege here by trying to tie up a

Trimble sitting in federal court here Tuesday granted a temporary restraining order preventing a group of bishops in the A.M. E. Church from taking any action Little Rock November 20-24.

said that the action was taken to ference called by ten bishops to ganitation? There are the Bishops fail the dead nor disappoint the the laws of the church, and to inquire into the disposition of cerbishops who, according to the combishops of the church."

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In New York last month, a malority of the bishop's bench united in issuing a call for an extra genpermanent. eral conference to be held in Little Rock. This was an outcome of the controversy which has been raging over affairs in the first district where Bishop R. R Wright had apparently been named to succeed Bishop David H. Sims, a decree which Bishop Sims opposed and was secured late last Friday after- gro people than any other religiwhich led into court fights which still have not been settled.

Knowing that any court would accept the ecclesiastical verdict of the hurch itself, the conference has been called to permit the entire hurch to judge the merits of the case. Present plans are said to include the trial of Bishop Sims, Davis and Curry on charges affecting funds and two other bishops on charges of obstruction of church

Atty Booker, who is handling the lay end of the court case here, ironcally enough is the son of the ate Dr. Booker, president of the National Baptist convention. He is regarded as one of the ablest lawyers in the state.

many and diversified interests.

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burst into a luminous blaze. persons, in this generation, still Adty. J. R. Booker of Little to say, these good and cherish in their memories the slaintiffs.

Wise officials have permitted dif-sweet-tempered and kindly Bishop Substance of the court order is ficult and complex problems to Brooks. Time would fail me to o restrain and enjoin the defencause them to abandon their own mention that large group of pre- lants from interfering with or atwhich would prevent the denomination from holding a conference of the entire church which has the United States District Court courts. What can the courts do that ness, in their generation and served been scheduled to be held how in here last Friday issued a pre-these man could not have accomp the cause valiently. These there have accomp the cause valiently. These there have accomp the cause valiently. been scheduled to be held here in here last Friday issued a pre-these men could not have accomp-the cause valiantly. These, though five Bishops named in the restrainliminary injunction restraining lished by earnestly and persistently dead, speak to us through their ing order are to be tried at the

Atty. J. R. Booker acting for bish- treasurer of the AME Church, Then, if a resort must be made The living church members walk straining order said they did so ops John H. Clayborn, S. L. Greene from defraying expenses of the to an arbitrator, why not call in upon holy ground and are charged "because of the conduct of the de-og. W. Baber and Bishop Young, extra session of the General Conanother churchman of another or-with a sacred task. They will not fendants, their total disregard for \$\frac{1}{2}\$

hearing is held and thereafter the that the public courts should have

plaintiff asks that it be made been the last resort and not the first, as a place where solution of problems of Christian people might The The injunction was obtained by be found.

the Rev. John T. Bailey, chair- The African Methodist Episcoman of the trustee board of the pal church is a great institution. Baltimore Annual Conference, and It has been more to the front in a presiding elder Saltimore. Me advising and directing the political Service of the restraining order and economic problems of the Nenoon after former Judge James A. ous institutions in our nation. A Cobb, attorney for the Baltimore number of presidents of the nation Annual Conference which brought took the oath of office with a hand suit against Dr. Jackson, filed a placed upon a Bible, provided by \$5,000 bond to guarantee against the officials of this church. It any loss which might be incurred was Bishop Arnett of this church, who in his capacity as member of the legislature of Ohio, had an-The suit attacks as illegal a se-nulled all legislation providing for

the laws of the nati

Who can forget the irrepressible granted a temporary restrain-denominational rows, Bishop

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By Special Correspondent

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. ries of acts by the ten bishops growing out of a controversy involving Bishop David H. Sims of Philadelphia, whose episcopal diocese is New York State.

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nulled all legislation providing for the last few gropeople. Before he became bishop weeks by court injunctions w. T. Vernon through the influence of his church became register when they attempted to carnuclear of treasury of the United States. According to the complaint, on Sept. 23, ten of the 16 bishops of When other Negro leaders shrank the AME Church met at the Hotel back and humbly counseled for the Church met at the Hotel ba set up a "Rump Bishops' Council," stitutional rights, the leaders of African Methodist Episcopal which decided to call an extra ses, this church spoke out boldly and Church sent their legal rep-Climaxing a two-day session sion of the General Conference. called for a just administration of resentatives to a Federal Court here last week and were

effort of Bishop D. H. Sims and his followers if they try BY FRANK L. WILLIAMS to prevent the holding of an extra session of the General Conference of the AME Church here Nov. 20-24.

nany and diversified interests. of culture and refinement for the of the last General Conference. These officers apparently found newly emancipated slaves. Who held in 1944.

Substance of the court order is

plaint stated the bishops signing the restraining order sought "because of the conduct of the defendants, their total disregard for the laws of the church, to inquire into the disposition of certain monies of the disposition of certain monies of the church."

Son from paying out of any church of the Colored Methodist Episcopalous leadership of this church been a majority of the Bishops' bench of the Church, the officers of the Nation more urgently needed than in after a large fairs of our nation today. May not to defray the conference expenses to disinterested laymen. Quiet, calm and critical deliberation outcome of the controversy which into his possession, any monies into his possession, any monies to defray the conference expenses of the situation to war-ent difficulties, and may these via the conference of the church."

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aws. Sat. 11-16 - 46 The AME Discipline, which gov erns the church, points out that an extra session of the General Conference is legal, and can even be called by three elders if no three elders if no Bishops are present.

Assisting Attorney Booker in case for the plaintiffs are Attor-neys Primus Wade and John A. Hibbler.

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by reason of the injunction.

Bishops' Action

Chief Trustee Acts

and elequent Turner whose volumi-ing order which will block any J. H. Clayborn, of the AME

ret Council Session Afro-American Baltimore, md. ks Up Earlier Ouster

Nine-to-Five Ballot Reveals Split Among Prelates Over Disciplining Move; Double Court Fight Looms

By JOHN JASPER

WASHINGTON—The AME Bishops' Council in special session here Thursday voted which named him associate bishop harged with conspiracy and with to 5 to oust Bishop David H. Sims from the supervision of the New York Annual Confer for the group during its meeting talsifying the minutes of the Bishnce. The resolution, it was said, clarified the action of the Bishops' Council meeting Junein Kansas City, Kans., in July.

The resolution passed by vote of the nine bishops de- Sims to save face. lares that the Kansas City ruling should be interpreted to to give full and sole authority teers, visited Bethel Church here, nean that Bishop Wright is the sole and only presiding bishop Bishop Wright. with power to act in any and all matters over the New York

onference.

All of the bishops attended he Council meeting at the AME Finance Department, 4th and Q Sts., except Noah Williams, who is holding conerence in California; R. C. Ransome of Wilberforce, who s unable to travel, and George B. Young who is ill.

How Bishops Voted Voting for the Sims ouster were he following bishops

R. C. Ransome by proxy, J. Gregg, S.L. Greene, Noah W. Williams by proxy, R. R. Wright, D. Ward Nichols, Frank Madison Reid, George W. Baber, and J. N. Clayborn.

The five bishops who voted to support Bishor Sims were:

Monroe H. Davis, W. A. Fountain, David H. Sims, H. Y. Tookes, and George E. Curry.

Bishop Allen Not Voting

Bishop A. J. Allen Sr. declined to vote either way.

The bishops declared that the its adoption. Gro - Umerical Clarifying resolution was necessary. The majority in its resolution,



BISHOP SIMS

because Bishop Sims had filed ac tion in a New York court to restrain Bishop Wright from taking over duties assigned him by the Kansas City Bishops' Council.

They said that Righon Wright

Kansas City Bishops' Council.

They said that Bishop Wright in his suit, contended that the Kansas City action was taken by force and duress. Final action on the Sims suit is scheduled for a equivalent to overthrowng the court on September 23, and it is expected that the entire boar dof bishops and leaders of the AME church will crowd into the courtroom.

Announcement of the Bishops' Council is September 23.

The resolution reiterrated and control of the action of the courtroom.

By LEWIS O. SWINGLER

LITTLE ROCK, Ark— (SNS—as other representatives had done. In an unprecented move to rectify. "You were the one to call us matters in the church, delegates here, and it is your duty to vote matters in the church, delegates here, and it is your duty to vote the extra session of the lust as we have done," declared the court on July Thursday voted the expulsion of Behind the Scenes

The resolution reiterrated and Announcement of the action was the Bishop and beadquarters in Philadelphia, from

the courtroom,

Action Hectic

The resolution was passed that the Kansas City made by both Bishop Sims, presid Of the delegates present, 999 voted that Bishop Sims was relieved of District of the AME Church, and while only a mere 35 voted to reform the chairman, Bishop Fountain, refused to put the clarifying motion. He maintained that the maintained that a two-thirds vote was necessary for a two-thirds vote was necessary for the court of the AME Church, and while only a mere 35 voted to reform the maintained that the resolution rejterrated and Announcement of the action was the Bishopric of the AME church Council's meaning was to proclaiming bishop of the Pirst Episcopal for expulsion of Bishop Sims, presiding eld-tain him on the bench. Bishop ference.

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justice specifically prohibited in ed "this a serious moment in the terference with any and all ap-history of the African Methodist pointments made heretofore by Episcopal Church." Bishop Sims and forbade the call. All bishops who cast a ballot simple continuation of

ing of any special conferences by voted against the continuation of Bishop Wright.

Hearing on Sept. 23

Hearing on the temporary in gia did not vote. Bishop Sims was a junction, it was revealed, will be more present at the conference.

21 in Kansas City, Mo., when then directed that Bishop R. R. Wright Only Bishop

Wright Only Bishop Their intention, they say, was Bishop Sims, with several supportwhere he was greeted heartily.

Sims Supported by Laity First Suit in History They pointed out that Bisher Later support of the restraining Sime's suit to restrain Bishop order was given by the First Epis-Wright from carrying out the copal District Laymen's League at Council's orders was the first suit a mass meeting at Bethel. The filed by one bishop against an-group at that time adopted the other in the history of the AME following resolution:

"We the laity, band ourselves to-Trouble in the New York An-gether to fight any interference nual Conference has been going from any source whatever, in the on for a number of years. Bishop affairs of the First Episcopal Dis-

Sims has twice been sued for antrict of which the N.Y. Conference accounting and these suits have is a part, unless invited by the been settled or dismissed.

Presiding Bishop David H. Sims, A third suit in which Bishop who is in attendance at our in-

Sims is asked to account for all vitation." expenditures of the New York conference totalling \$1,250,000 will come up in New York courts on September 26.

Bishop Davis Affidavit

It was reported at the Council that a four-page affidavit was submitted to the court for Bishop Sims on behalf of Bishop M. H. Davis of Baltimore.
Attorneys for the defense claim

that this affidavit may place Bishop Davis under the jurisdiction of the court and efforts will be made to make him a party with Bishop Sims in the action.

Under Fire By Delegates Action

Two Other Bishops

Bishop Sims' on the bench. Bishop William Alfred Fountain of Geor-

held on Sept. 23, at which time it This unprecedented action is the will be made permanent or de first of its kind ever to be recorded anywhere in the annals of the

Conference will revert to Bishop tion on Bishop Sims, the dele-

op's Council, while only charges of O is the Bishconspiracy were made against a special Bishop G. E. Curry, both of whom were called to answer to these charges late Thursday night.

The action against Bishop Sims of unfortunate events, in which a factionalism between members of the episcopacy had developed to the episcopacy had developed the episcopacy had developed to see so incredible heights. Just what action Bishop Sims plans taking was not immediately known following the voting Thursday.

Sixty-eight delegates composed of the Episcopal Committee recommending the expulsion of Bishop 3ims, four each of the seventeen districts.

Charges are to be heard against Bishops Monroe H. Davis, of the Second Episcopal District; and George Curry, of the Eighth Epis-

copal District James North Signature Bishop Sims expansion was based on his persistent refusal to abide by the decision of the church of the Bishops' Council, and his of continued legal entanglement of the Church in the courts, both

state and federal.

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The Conference was thrown intoZ an uproar of general disapprovale when Bishop Gregg made the observation that the Bishops would vote only in case of a tie. The sen-◀ By LEWIS O. SWINGLER
LITTLE ROCK, Ark— (SNS — as other representatives had done.) timent or the Conference was that the Bishops take a stand vote just.



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Committee who had recommended his expulsion. "I have grown very weak from a fight waged during the past three years. I am not in a position to go further. I don't wan to. I ask the Conference to this Conference that Bishop of the delegation in order to willing to give a not nay against Bishop of the delegation in order to willing to give and the church law a position to go further. I don't wan to. I ask the Conference to this Conference that Bishop of the delegation in order to willing to give and take—for if you are in the resulting to give council and the church law a position to give council and the church law a position to give council and the church law a position to give council and the church law a position to give council and the church law a position to give council and the church law a position to give council and the church law a position to give council and the church law a position to give ouncil and the church law a position to give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination, will be give and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination are the position and the church law and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination are the position and the church law and the church law and take and not be intolerant. This of the denomination are the position and the church law and ta give me a retirement status."

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before the Conference to appeal to trict, with 62 delegates, presided cil would receive any accusation your own race and have built up a over by Bishop R. R. Wright Jr., against any Bishop through its great and strong church. You have charges that Bishop David H. "I have worked in my church for the Georgia delegation, presided president and secretary, and the very representative body of peo-Sims of Philadelphia and Sen-44 years, now it comes to this over by Bishop W. A. Fountain, council "shall furnish charges and ble here, all high class citizens, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, all high class citizens, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and ble here, are 15 hishops in this court, and ior Bishop W. A. Fountain of Eggs and Bishop W.

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Monday by Vice Senior Bishop And then came the impact of his Mrs. Alma Polk, Pittsburgh. Pa., in the AME Connection, however. stroying your church."

"Retirement is for honorable that of charges against Bishop In a continuing session Fridaya resolution drawn up by the Rev. could not be learned whether each people," shouted a delegate from Monoe H. Davis, of Baltimore, un-afternoon, the delegates voted al-Archibald J. Carey, Chicago law-had been served.

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With this remark shouts all over the Auditorium were heard for a vote on the Episcopal Committee's report. Then Bishop Curry tee's report. Then Bishop Curry tee's report.

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point where I am almost broken to gave a divided vote. However, Bish specifications to the accused at there are 15 bishops in this court. Atlanta conspired to flout the pieces," Bishop Curry said follow- op Fountain cast his vote with least thirty days before the date. They should be able to get together the are 15 bishops in this court. Atlanta conspired to flout the pieces, and settle this matter. As you go decision of the AME Bishops' and settle this matter. As you go decision of the AME Bishops' through life you must learn to give council and the church law. through life you must learn to give council and the church law

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The 16 bishops agreed unani-Reverdy C. Ransb., mously to dismissal of the restrain-force, Ohio, it was learned this ing order following presentation of week. As late as Monday,

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The action is based upon allegathat before," came another apgrection of the bishops unanimous.

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Baltimore, Md. Shocking to Judge Pretate Claims Trouble Stems

From 'Too Many' on AME Bench

By RALPH MATTHEWS Chief, AFRO National Bureau

NEW YORK—An atomic bomb was exploded Thursday at the trial of Bishop David H. Sims to make permanent his injunction restraining Bishop R. R. Wright from interfering in the affairs of the New York conference when Bishop George Curry branded his colleagues as a "bunch of gang-between Bishop David H. Sims and the Rev. Charles H. Tay-of the above mentioned cases a

tempted to cross-examine the Florida prelate on his own this week. part of four days.

"I was not given a fair trial," Living up to his Masonic vows he

"Do you realize," asked Supreme the Bishops at Kansas City to Court Justice Dickstein, "that you take over the work of Bishop are referring to your colleagues Sims, but to serve only as an ason the Episcopal bench who con sociate. stitute the Bishops' Council?"

"Yes I do," snapped Curry, "and tary of the council. still call them a bunch of gang.

"I will tell you what this is all a conflicting Interpretation of the ally. about," he continued heatedly council's action.

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The presiding officer, and the cer of the third party and as a second party is a clergyman of bishop of the African Methodists the African Methodist Episcopal Episcopal Episcopal Episcopal Church during the interpretation of the annual of the method of the meth of them won't have enough to do case was continued until Monday to have the result of about the 20th day of way, third party, the matters should unless they frame some of us outdue to the Jewish holiday on Fri. Conference set up an adequate 1943, at the last annual session forthwith be adjusted for and in and proper set of books, an in of the third party, restored to behalf of said third party as well and proper set of books, and in of the third party; as for himself, and that irrespect the over."

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He singled out Bishop W. H. H. H. Berry

the National Negro Council. The council alleges that Bilbo prevented Negroes from voting in Mississippi's Primary and general elections this year.

The petition also asks passage of an Anti-Lynching Law, an Anti-Poll Tax Law and creation of a permanent Fair Employment Practices Commission.

Agreed to Pay \$10,500 to Settle N.Y. Charges

Reform in New York Conference Latispecial to the AFRO

lor whereby the former agreed to pay the latter the sum of would result in unpleasant, unfav-2 The outburst came when Bishop Wright's attorney at-\$10,500 to drop his suit against Bishop Sims, was revealed to the African Methodist Episcopal

record.

They tried to elicit an admission that he had been suspended was an ordained minister, a Masfrom supervision of the Arkansas ter Mason, and because he had oklahoma conferences under lost his right hand, he never took similar circumstances to those an oath on the Bible, and the court which prompted the Bishops would have to trust him to tell Council to assign Bishop Wright the truth without being sworn.

The judge granted his request.

The Rev. Mr. Taylor, who had by the bishop to exercise a more previously been suspended from strict supervision over the affairs the New York Annual Conference of the conference so that its afof the AME Church, had sued fairs, at all times, may be open
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"I was not given a fair trial," refused to divulge a confidential blurted Bishop Curry. "I was conversation he had had with blurted Bishop Sims promised.

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1. To appoint the Rev. Mr. Pa., hereinafter referred to as the party: CHARLES H. TAY-

Judge Dickstein admitted that he was confused by contradictory statements written by Bishon Sims agreed to get the white New York Annual where the first party hereto hood; and Pandemonium reigned in the statements written by Bishop Confrence and to have the confer-is the presiding bishop of the French WHEREAS the first party, after courtroom until order was reThe senior bishop in one affidavit sugarantee payers a bond to Episcopal District of the African learning certain facts of which he ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a marginary to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to Episcopal Church in was not aware heretofore, has been a second to the ence treasurer post a bond to the ence treasurer post also the presiding officer; and the cer of the third party and as a-

ing that the latter was assigned to Africa, but did not want to leave America."

"He flew over there and came conference of the African Methodak so fast, I doubt that he ever odist Episcopal (Negro) Church got off the plane," he declared.

Refuses to Take Oath

WHEREAS the said second par-in annual session ratifies third party of the said second par-in annual session ratifies third party of the said second par-in annual session ratifies third party of the Supreme Court party is to be bound thereby.

Further he agreed to organize proceeding in the Supreme Court party is to be bound thereby.

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Bishop Sims also pledged him to restore him to membership in AGREEMENTS. AS HEREIN OF THE PREMISES of the Agreement or not, the said first party is to be bound thereby.

LITTLE ROCK, Nov. 21.—(P) the conference as a corporation of the State of New York, in and NOW. THEREFORE, IN CONTROL of the conference that the conference of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the County of Queens, for an SIDERATION OF THE PREMISES of the Cou WHEREAS the said second par-in annual session ratifies back so fast. I doubt that he ever odist Episcopal (Negro) Church properly organized.

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Here today signed a petition urg Bishop Sims also pledged him to restore him to membership in AFTER SET FORTH:

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in the Supreme Court of the State 5 of New York in and for Kings County for an accounting, in which said action the parties named as a defendants are: George W. Maybanks, Mansfield E. Jackson, William M. Dawkins, Edward E. Tyler, Charles E. Walton, James S. & Manning, D. Ward Nichols, Yancey L. Sims, David H. Sims and Henry 2 nd "James" A. Portlock on N. David, "Daniel" B. 2 Tolton, and "James" "George" N. David, Danier Barton, "Albert" A. Clark, "Ben-Freeman, the true first names of w the last named defendants being unknown, and New York Annual Conference of the African Meth- & odist Episcopal Church and The Board of Incorporators of the African Methodist Episcopal Church;

ferences and discussions had by and between the first and second parties hereto it has been deter-NEW YORK—An agreement, made in November, 1943, trial of the issues involved in each \$ mined and decided that a public w orable and harmful publicity both There was further agreement Church and to the third party, and might conceivably reflect unwarthe integrity, honesty and charao. ter of the parties involved, without comparable gains, and that the said cases should be settled upon terms satisfactory to the parties hereto after a full consideration

of the factors involved; and WHEREAS the second party hair Okeys 4-Year Appointment entered into this 1st day of Noundoubtedly suffered serious loss
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Sims, but to serve only as an associate.

Bishop Davis supported the content of Bishop Curry as secretary of the council.

Ludge Dickstein admitted that made for a reasonable time, secured in respect of his earning a liveli-

stored, but Bishop Curry refused signed a few days after the control of the silenced, even at the admoference set forth that Bishop nition of the judge.

Too Many Bishops

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Boaltimore, Md.
Pact with Rev. Charles Taylor Also Promises

As presiding officer, to exer agreement cise a more strict supervision IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the over the affairs of the third par-parties have set their hands and the Call ty so that at all times its affairs seals or caused the agreement to may be open to inspection of any be signed by its proper officer this persons entitled thereto. persons entitled thereto.

And the second party agrees: In the Presence of: . To accept the post of Confer-(sd) Charles H. Walton ence Missionary for a period of one year at a monthly salary of \$100; and to accept a re-appointment to said position at a like salary for a period of four consecutive years.

To do, in connection with said post, everything in said second party's power to advance the cause and interest of the Church and the third party.

To accept the sum of \$5700.00 agreed to be paid, for the purpose and in the manner hereinabove specified, and upon full payment of said sum, to execute and deliver to the first and second parties a general release of BEHIND

counting, provided same can be discontinued without the pay ment of costs.

And the third party agrees:

To pay the second party the sum trial of the Rt. Rev. David H. of \$5700 in the manner and at Sims, and took the times hereinabove specified over the meet-It is understood, however, that over the payment by either the first party ing, say or the third party is all that is friend, contemplated by this agreement. Monroe and that the total sum to be paid of by either party or both parties sowed the wind is not to exceed \$5700.

And it is further agreed by and whirlwind. between the first and second par- though it was a hereto that whether or not dramatic third party ratifies this agree tacle at the time ment, or whether or not this agree-ment be submitted to the third party for ratification, the cove-echo of both the part of the first party herein clergymen and laymen, Bishop But while Bishop Davis stormed the Arkansas and Oklahoma constant in double jeopardy.

Shall be, and remain binding Davis established a new precedent through 1 i ke a steamroller, ferences, had given up the Arkansas and Oklahoma constant in double jeopardy.

Among other accusations cited on the said first party, and he for disrespect for law which even using his booming voice to drown sas district in February, but had charged with perjury in repudiate to the fuelly may destroy the whole AME out the aging Bishop Reverdy C scheduled the Oklahoma sessions ing his allowed signature to the

for delivery to said Lewis S. Flagg

the first party shall, should he be a rival court of in in position so to do, have the right ing his own jury.

DAVID H. SIMS

First Party

Second Party

DAVID H. SIMS

Presiding Officer

R. L. Rice of Dallas as prose-DALLAS, Texas.—Bishops cutor. Defense attorneys were Peters of Ohio and Townsend of Arkansas.

A telegram from New York allegedly signed by presiding elders was ruled out on the basis the signers were not appointed by a regular bishop. Approximately 150 Texas pastors and Dallas laymen attended the trial.

BROOKLYN, N. Y. - Bishop

George W. Baber and John Clayborne were found not guil-CHARLES H. TAYLOR LS trial Wednesday, Oct. 2, at the St. Paul Metropolitan A.

B-U-L-L-E-T-I-N

NEW YORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCO
Bishop George B. Young of the 10th Episcopal district, presiding judge. Bishop J. A. Allen served as jury foreman and layman

ond parties a general release of all claims.

Upon the execution of this agreement and the receipt of the first payment, to immediately discontinue the proceeding pending in the Supreme Court, Queens County, New York, against the third party.

AME Church Likely, Says Matthews of a fervent prayer. Knowing churchmen to have a high respect

Police Action Prevented by Hymns, Prayers; churchmen to have a high respect for prayers, I asked how this was Clarification of Church Rules Expected lack of evidence.

he won a temporary victory when he won a temporary victory when he barged into the AME Bishops Flaw in Church Rules

saving his Bishop Davis Baltimore and may reap a

agreements and promises on echo of both Ralph Matthews ence called for October.

After the charges had been read, bunch were trespasses and gave ments. will execute and deliver to the Bishop Davis, who disagreed with orders to his men to put them to first party his receipt for the his colleagues, acting on the theo-rout, Davis was advised to sing sum of \$1300, the initial payment ry that all bishops are equal in on the grounds that police could authority, marched in and set up not interfere with a religious ser-And it is further agreed, that a rival court of his own, appoint vice.

and he is hereby authorized by the When the first group refused hours. They sang and prayed for three second party, to pay to the said to present its case before his Then something happened I Lewis S. Flagg Jr., the sum of \$400 jury, whom the others called a have never seen in all my life. to be deducted from the amount ordered Bishop Sims acquitted for up and filed out right in the midst

Their answer was that any pray-

Weird as all this may seem, Weird as all this may seem, farce.

Bishop Davis was within his farce.

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tion. They have no elected pre-Taken From CHTY

at the afternoon session, Atty.

Norris, accompanied by a court

Imagine what would happen to control of the three Oklahoma the Bronx on Bishop Ransom, our Supreme Court without a sinual conferences, nine AME who adjourned the hearings.

Chief Justice to make final rul sinual conferences, nine AME who adjourned the hearings.

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But while Bishop Davis stormed the Arkansas and Oklahoma con
Among other accurate.

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A.M.E. church Fri . 10-11-46 Delegates Celebrates

Bro. of Paul Robeson Pastors Mother Church;

Bishops On Trial Again; Ransas Gund Not Guilty' in Dallas shocked churchmen spectators at the hearing of charges involving Bishop David H. Sims of Philadelphia and Bishop W. A. Fountain of Atlanta, when he entered the Bridge Street A.M.E. church to take the proceedings away from & Bishop Reverdy C. Ransom, who

was designated to preside a hearings.

Bishop Davis, after occupying a hearings.

Bishop Davis, after occupying a hearing one of the chairs of the pulpit, announced that he was "Senior and proceeded to take the hearings. He named his a hearing the hearings he hearings h over the hearings. He named his of jury and began conducting the girl. After hearing the cases presented by Atty. Austin Norris of 22 Philadelphia, the "jury" retired to an office room in the church, and returned 15 minutes later with a finding of "not guilty." with a finding of "not guilty."

20 Policemen Called

Bishop Ransom, after failing to maintain order in the church with the aid of approximately 20 policemen, announced the hearings to be called later that afternoon ing at that time was a mockery at Bethel A.M.E. church and reof God, and they withdrew rather than be a party to a sacreligious farce.

Removing Norris, accompanied by a court attache, served a restraining or-Imagine what would happen to Bishop George E. Curry from der from the Supreme Court of

Bishop Curry, head of the 12th the defendants on trial twice for piscopal District, which includes the same offense would place them

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second party for the appointment
to his post as conference missionary, as well as for the payment of
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and it is still further agreed by men or laymen respect them? Yer.

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New York AME Conference a bishop, not only in the New York Conference, but in the entire First Episcopal District."

The Conference a bishop Sims had incurred ATLANTA— (ANP)— The Conference of a fellow pre-Atlanta AME Ministers Union sions were Bishop Edgar B issued here by Bishop D. Ward stand behind Bishop W. A. Watson and Bishop William J. Nichols, whom Sims had accused Fountain Sr., in his defense to of engineering charges preferred by an oppos-Alea are distincted. Sal. 6-29-46 Churches Placed Under Direction of

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Bishop Wright; Assessments Cut 50%

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Answers Attack

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Jr., now presiding over the Kentucky and Tennessee con him the advice which I gave him works during his administrasial were photostats of Salem, N. personally, and which any im tion, and expressed "complete partial person would give."

While acting against Bishop J. court records, showing that:

On November 13, 1941 Joseph "If the people of his district leadership of our bishops." Sims, the Council completely vin. Walters conveyed the property to want to know about their finances Later, the laymen's league of he should inform them about the AME church expressed them. The bishop has been ac "confidence in our leader" and them. The bishop has been ac "confidence in the integrity and them. The bishop has bee

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Control Given Wright

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AME SITUATION tution are certainly entitled to an accounting of funds collected by

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Called Unprecedented was a major factor in the case.

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1. Excessive assessments.

2. Charves of failure to proper Buffalo, and former president of ly account for New York Confer Wilberforce

1. University, among NEW YORK—An address by Dr. will have to cut the oratory to fit the anti-Sims petitioners was a James Clair Taylor, editor of the the truth, rather than the truth rather than the truth involving the bishop and the confinends.

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By WITTIE ANNA BIGGINS.

NEW YORK - (SNS) - Over 1,000 laymen of the First Episcopal District of the AME Church, reoutedly representing a combined membership of 40,00 communicants cast the vote Thanksgiving night that split the district from the 160-year-old African Methodist Church and started an independent AME Church with the Rt. Rev. David N. Sims as presiding bishop.

The special session of the Laymen's Movement was called by the Emergency Action Committee at Bethel Churh in reponse to the expulsion of Bishop Sims at the special Little Rock, Ark., conference November 20.

Also embraced in the lay delegation's setup was Bishop George E .Curry, likewise unfrocked and 2 others who felt the wrath of the AME special conferees.

Bethel's Church officers members a week previously had called a business meeting and voted the church out of the AME Conference with the Rev. Hale B. Thompson as pastor, Rev. James A. Manning as presiding elder, the Rt. Rev. David H. Sims as presiding bishop. At the same time the Ministers Conference of New York #O signed resolutions condemning the actions of the Bishops at Little Rock and pledging their support to Bishop Sims.

CONGREGATIONS WITHDRAW

am for reformation and correcting the evils necessary to save it. The AME Church is

tages of the race. It has stood like a lighthouse amid the stormy sea and pointed the way to hope, progress and service. It is worth saving," he said.

Wrong Stress on Money

count for little in aspiring for clashes. our highest offices. Bishops, min- But sponsors of the Allen statisters and laymen who follow God ue, who include Philadelphia's cannot be for sale.

Stating that "in all fairness our white and Negro city officials, find discipline is behind the times," this squalid area an inappropriate Dr. Toodle rapped the "big club locale in which to commemorate of power used upon the defense-less heads of poor struggling with the life of a great churchman.

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Monroe H. Davis, Secretary of the to the other addressees.

Bishops' Council of the A. M. E

Church, states: "We are confident These messages follow close onformed or being destroyed. Church, states: "We are confident the heels, a similar assurance from that his refusal to put the said the heels, a similar assurance last the heels they deplored and motion for which he is charged, the AME Ministers Alliance last tion, he said. "I am for reformations was for the good of the church week, in which they deplored and tion, he said. "I am for correcting and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary and all concerned as he thought it regretted "what we regard as an the evils and making necessary the evils are of Georgia stand squarely behind and with him."

The message is signed by Mrs. Dollie J. Alexander, State President of Laymen; Dr. R. A Billings. Vice President, and Miss Annie M. Blassingame, Corresponding Secretary.

In a companion message, the oup also wired solemn words of arances to Bishop Fountain

Separater Chicago, Ill. The agro- american Move one of the most glorious heri- The Defender

thebo Jr., chief of the Bureau of City Dr. Toodle suggested reforma-honesty which caused them in 1942 Property to "study" site possibilition for the AME Church through to reject a statue of Thomas Paineties, and report in two weeks. protest and criticism, and recalled in Fairmount Park "because he The Richard E. Allen Statue now Richard Allen, the founder, was an agnostic," the Fairmount Committee, in addition to its presi-walked out of a white church in Park Commission here last weekdent, the Rev. Eustace L. Blake,

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Extra Session Called to Permit Entire

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> Says Church's Hope Lies Daily World Allanta, Ga. In Masses, Not Bishops Tues. 10-8-46

DETROIT - (ANP) - "Members of the AME church seed a new deal."

in Bethel Church.

That sentiment was expressed here last week by Dritroversy which has been raging Aaron C. Toodle, trustee of Bethel AME church for 22over affairs in the First Episco 3 years, in an open letter to the bishops, ministers and lay-Wright Jr. had apparently been men of the AMF church following newspaper accounts of named to succeed Bishop David the recent aftercation at a bishop's meeting in New York.

He called the meeting which end-refute reports about corrupt church ed in violent fighting, "an outrag-politics, if they are untrue, but if eous blot" on the "history of Allen'strue stop the practice "or our Church, because the bishops whochurch will lose her place under the preach love and boast of Godlysun." judgment could not sit down in the

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"I am definintely for reforma-our law forces to a large extent." best We have implicit confidence in his leadership and the laymen for Bishop. Lett. 9-24-46 church is one of the most glorious heritages of the Negro race. It has stood like a lighthouse amid the stormy sea and pointed us the ways of hope and progress and service. It Bishops May

Dr. Toodle suggested reformation for the AME Church through protest and criticism and recalled how Richard Allen, founder of the AMEC Church, "walked out of a white" church in Philadelphia" in a spirit Chief AFRO National Bureau of protest. He asked that bishops

enting 104,000 strong expressed rent proceedings and to express our Dr. Toodle said that "the hope power used upon the defenseless "confidence in their leader," and rent proceedings and to express our Dr. Toodle said that the hope power used upon the defenseless pledged their unanimous support complete confidence in you and of the AME Church lies at the bot-heads of poor struggling ministers. in upholding him in his refusal to hope for a speedy and satisfactory tom, in the pews, and not at the ... Members of the AME Church "put the said motion.

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Financial Probe complaint sets forth that the bishops signing the restraining ing order sought, "because of the defendants' conduct, and their total disregard for the church total disregard for the church laws," to inquire into "the disposition of certain monies of the

church. Last month a majority of the bishops united in issuing a call in New York for an extra General

Conference here. This was an outcome of the conpal District where Bishop R. R.

Sims Fights Decree

Bishop Sims opposed this de-2 cree and a series of court fights ensued which still have not been.

accept the ecclesiastical verdict of ference has been called to permit the entire AME Church to judge the merits of the case.

Present plans include the trial of Bishops Sims, Monroe H. Davis and C. C. Curry on charges affecting funds, and two other bishops on charges of obstruction of church laws.

10 Bishops Sign Call

The call for the extra session of the General Conference is dated Nov. 5 and signed by Bishops R. C. Ransom, J. A. Greggs, S. L. Greene, G. B. Young, Noah W. S Williams, R. R. Wright Jr., D. Ward Nichols, Frank M. Reid, George W. Baber and John H. Clayborn.

It is addressed to all bishops, general officers, college presidents, deans of theological seminaries, delegates of the last Quadrennial General Conference, and such other persons as are ex-officio members as provided for in the AME Book of Discipline.

By RALPH MATTHEWS

trial in Supreme Court here, it became apparent on Thursday that unless a compromise is reached,

He Flys to His Various Churches

The Rev. Lucius Albert, Atlanta AME pastor, is shown at the controls of his Aronca plane which he uses to cover his various churches ous interests of the church: all over Georgia. Besides Atlanta, he holds charges in Griffin, Carrollton and Athens. He has been flying three years.

8 to Go to Africa

last week attended the Bishops' Young and the Rev. E. J. Odum, sections from California to Florida, Council of the AME Church at planned a nation-wide evangelis attended the sessions.

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Henry Y. Tookes, Florida; Rich1796. The pastor, Rev. B. C. Robeard R. Wright, Jr., Ohio; Decatur
W. Nichele, Pinnin, Ohio; Decatur W. Nichols, Birmingham; George E. Curry, Florida; Frank M. Reid, South Carolina; Alexander J. Allen, Ohio; George W. Baker, Michigan and John H. Clayborn Arkansas.

Active bishops in order of sen- Mortgage Paid Qff iority are William A. Fountain of NEW YORK—Last payment on a Georgia; Reverdy C. Ransom, \$129,100 mortgage on Mother AME Ohio; John A. Gregg, Kansas; Zion Church here was celebrated Sharman L. Green, New Orleans; recently by church members with M. H. Davis, Baltimore; Noah W. a mortgage burning teremony. The Williams; St. Louis; David H. thurch, believed the oldest and largest in Harlem, was founded in 1908. The paster Bey B. C. Robe-

\$500,000 in Dollar Money Reported at Bishop's Council

Dr. A. S. Jackson, financial sec. of the A. M. E. Church here, who retary of the AME Church, at the was elected in 1940 as the bishop NEW YORK—Bishop David H, ed that approximately \$500,000 of been unable to reach his charge, Sims of the First Episcopal Distance of the AME Church and the church's dollar money funds.

the church's dollar money fund LEADER the United States

He indicated that the amount would be onned when reports from African, South American and West Indian conferences arrived.

Largest percentage of dollar mon-

ey was reported by Bishop H. Y. Tookes of the Florida conference, which raised \$438,225.79, and chief runner-up was the Georgia conference, presided over by Bishop W. A. Fountain, with \$49,047.50.

Dollar Money Uses Dollar money is allotted to vari-

38% to current expenses; 30% to pensions to widows and orphans and ministers, in his district, with of ministers and superannuated

encouraging educational develop- preachers; seement in the Florida area. Eight per cent to educational in-The General Conference Com-stitutions; 5% for foreign mismission, headed by Bishop Noah sions; 4% for church expansion; H. Williams, selected a meeting and 15% for local missions and ROCK, Ark. Persons ence, while the committee on evan- Douglass Hospital Clears Deb

Douglass Hospital Clears Debt from all over the United States elism, led by Bishop George B. More than 3,000, representing DR. CHARLES LEANDER HILL

A report on Douglass Hospital in Kansas City, Kan., a project of bia, S. C., 16 months ago and Bethel AME Church, where Bishop Henry Tookes announced that \$30,000 had been ruised for proval of sending 8 bishops to Edward Waters College in Florid. South Africa in June to the cele
Representing the oldest and bration of the 50th anniversary of largest church group in the country the bishops held closed sessions for two days where they heard reports of each Bishop and to attend by the general confersions of the founding of the general confersions of the founding of the general confersions of the founding of the founding of the AME Church propriation of \$140,000 for improvement.

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had refused a petition for injunction restraining Bishop Sims from presiding at the conference of the district, on grounds that evidence

presented was "insufficient."

It was also held that the plaintiffs, Revs. Walter C. Crawford, Daniel G. Walker, S. H. V. Gumbs and Thomas G. Clark, acted in bad faith in seeking the injunction on the eve of the annual conferences, when they knew a year in advance when the conferences

were to convene. 4-4-6
Appealing the decision, the plaintiff again received an adverse ruling in the appellate court where five judges ruled against them without a dissenting vote. 6-14-16 Friday

trict of the AME Church, was given a clean bill of goods by the New York Supreme Court on Tuesday 5 - 25 - 26

At that time, Justice Julius Miller denied the Bishop's opponents' motion to restrain him from presiding over the remaining annual conference sessions and dismissed the complaint charging misuse of

the complaint charging misuse of funds.

The decision was rendered as a result of a hearing held in Spe-es as the cial Term Part III, on May 7, so the first when four ministers in the New Mork Conference sought to pre-expect the Bishop from convening the continuity of the complainants also requested that all monies to be collected as the conferences be placed in the decision of action was waden the same of the complainants also requested that all monies to be collected as the conferences be placed in the decision, printed in the same of action.

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tively speaking, they are with the By REV. Wm. H. LACY council which excludes the elders LITTLE ROCK, ARK. (SNS The general unrest and dissatis from their regular council meetfaction in the AME Church mustings, and why, if all are on business placed upon the shoulders of ness for the King.

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official power to crush others, and has created no educational insti-last week. re not church politicians, deduct tion but simply adopts them and

evidence was presented to prove that he had used or withheld any General Department money and he is not charged with doing so.

The jury bases its verdict of guilt on their opinion. There is no doubt in our minds that connectional monies raised in an annual conference should be turned over to the finance committee of the conference and the finance committee should buy drafts payable to the general departments of the church and these drafts turned over to the Presiding Bishop, who should immediatly send them to the dapartments for which they had been drawn. This seems not to have been done.

The mony collected for the sale

THEY'LL NEVER DIE 34 Elton Fax



World Warna ublicity 1. 8-24-46 of 1880 held in St. Paul AME ministrated. Bishop Curry could Church, St. Louis--"A Bishop sushabe chosen a friendly Bishop to tains the relation of moderator to preside for him just as Bishops do them to the departments for which they had been drawn." This seems no section or interest of the they wish to confer some financial church, he can claim no right to favor up on a comrade in office.

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but destruction to follow such anancial committee and not Bish-confirm it the matter goes to the piggish course. All of this adds up to bad publicity, both for Bishop op Curry violated the law. The reGeneral Conference for final deport further says this, "this seems cision. The Bishop's Council has Sims and for the great church he purports to represent. It is not a legal body notwithstanding statement in the Discipline, "It Jury was to weigh the evidence The Annual Conference should authority or jurisdiction over the New York Conference, shall be a legal body." No law presented and to base their find-take up the matter and should act we believe the Bishops Council exercised good judgment creating such a body with rights ings upon the same, but they say as the discipline regardless to what duties, functions and limitations, plainly, "this seems" which shows the Council does. We should all and acted in the large interest of the great denomination to the proposition of the proposition of the great denomination and limitations, plainly, "this seems" which shows the Council does. We should all and acted in the large interest of the great denomination to the proposition of the great denomination and limitations. The Bishop's Council has Sims and for the great church he purports to represent. All of this adds up to bad publicity, both for Bishop of Council has Sims and for the great church he purports to represent. Sims and for the great church he purports to represent. Sims and for the great church he purports to represent. Sims and for the great church he purports to represent the purports to represent the proposition of the purports to represent the purports to represent the purports to represent the purports to do with it officially. And in voting once and for all to strip Bishop Sims and for the great church he purports to represent the purports to represent the purports to do with it officially And in voting once and for all to strip Bishop Sims and for the great church he purports to do with it officially And i All of this adds up to bad publicity, both for Bishop

We might aso add that this is not the only news of Ox cipline. The council is not a sac-tained. Yet, they find him guitty erdotal body, it is not an eccelesias The money from the sale of the college property should have been JOHNSON, bastor of metropolitan against Bishop Sims. All of which leads us to hope that the handled by the school trustees A. M. F. Zion Church, has been business of the church, of whatever denomination or sect. He with a some of our Bishop streasurer and not to the Bishop. Organ of the First Episcopal district are presonally fine, dignified men This was an Annual Conference of the A. M. Eczion church, Senior stant conflict with legal entanglements. Such leadership with no desire to exploit, to use Educational affair. The connection Bishop B. G. Shaw afmounced here does violence to the faith and loyalty of humble church afficial power to crush others, and has created no educational insti-last week. an unwholesome nature which has been publicly aired 93 people who are groping in spiritual and moral darkness.

Episcopacy of Zion Methodism Be Celebration Highlight

NEW YORK-The Episcopacy of the AME Zion Church will come in for a large share of the spotlight at the Sesquicentennial celebration of the denomination to be held at Mother Zion Church in New York City from September 8-22. The founding fathers of the denomination, who withdrew from the Methodist Church implementing ecclesiastical independence in 1796, patterned their policy after the mother denomination which maintained the Episcopal form

of government. The first bishops were superintendents of the Connection—even as Bishops Asbury and Coke were for the Methodist Church. Bishops Varick Rush, and Coke livere for the Methodist Church. Bishops Varick, Rush, Moore and other early superintendents were elected by their colleague-olders to provide supervision for an increasing denomination. And while fifty-two years of history elapsed before the Episcopacy hearmen firmly established, the became firmly established, the transition form superintendent to bishop was constant and progressive. Besides Bishop Varick, Loven Smith Christopher Rush, William Miller and George Galbraith were the colorful Episcopates of this transitional period. Bishop Gal-braith will be noted for the fact that he was the first president of Rush Academy, which was the first educational institution in Methodism. Bishop Rush, elected in 1828, served for twenty-four years, constantly expanding the Church, writing its first history and acting as star-negotiator with other er denominations in the quest for early union of Negro Methodism.

BACK TO AFRICA—Bishop Willis and editor of the Quarterly Resident bishop in Africa, and in the gram observing the sesquicententwenty years he has presided over American conferences has displayed the best expansion program in the property will be the best expansion program of the Quarterly Resident Services, begon his Episcopacy as resident bishop in Africa, and in the gram observing the sesquicentent wenty years he has presided over American conferences has displayed the best expansion program in the gram observing the sesquicentent wenty years he has presided over the property of the Quarterly Resident Services, and in the gram observing the sesquicentent wenty years he has president over the property of the Quarterly Resident Services, and in the gram observing the sesquicentent wenty years he has presided over the property of the Quarterly Resident Services, and in the gram observing the sesquicentent wenty years he has president over the property of the Quarterly Resident Services, and in the gram observing the sesquicentent of the Quarterly Resident Services, and in the gram observing the sesquicentent services are property of the Quarterly Resident Services, and in the gram observing the sesquicentent services are property of the property

Philadelphia, New England, Baltimore, Allegheny, Genesse, North Carolina, California and Louisiana Conferences come into being. Then there followed the New Jersey (consolidation of the Philadelphia and Baltimore conferences), Kentucky, Arkansas, Missouri, Virtucky, Arkansas, tucky, Arkansas, Missouth, Carolina, Tennessee, Central North Carolina, Palmetto, Alabama, West Alabama, Florida, Texas, Oregon-Washington, Pee Albermarle, Ohio, Cahaba, Georgia, South G



African Conferences.

The next group of Lishps to Garland Shaw, active senior Episstand out in the period beginning with 1888 included Calvin C. Petty, a cultured orator; Cicero R. Harris, a Greek scholar and advocate of "Bible-holiness"; Isom C. Clinton, the second tall Chester.

denomination for nearly a half century as eloquent preacher, great church-builder and dynamic editor and, since 1924. has been the out-

standing bishop in the field of education, raising more per capita for the schools and collleges of the AME Zion Church than any other AME Zion Church than any other leader. He is the chairman of the Sesquicentennial Commission and Council of Churches of Christ in has given indefatigable service in America; Walter F. White, secredirecting the several committees tary of the National Association Bishop John William Martin has for the Advancement of Colored been noted for his contribution to People, and Bishop G. Bromley educational administration as college president and secretary of the Oxnam of the Methodist Church Department of Education prior to agreed last night that if the Chrishis elevation to the Episcopacy and tian Church is to survive "it must his superintendency has been noted to be a survive to the characteristic between the characteristics and the characteristics are superintendency as the characteristics are the characteristics and the characteristics are the characteristics are the characteristics are the characteristics and the characteristics are the characteristics are the characteristics are the characteristics and the characteristics are the characteristics and the characteristics are the characteristics and the characteristics are the characteristics are the characteristics and the characteristics are the cha for its highly constructive charac-clean house, take a stand on printer. Bishop Cameron Chesterfield ciples and work to make its pro-Alleyne, after a career as pastor nouncements clear and effective." and editor of the Quarterly Re-

er denominations in the quest for early union of Negro Methodism, became blind in 1852 and retired to an advisory capacity at this period.

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seph. P. Thompson are recognized cal manhood; John Bryan Small, leader in the area over which he schools, seminaries and hospitals
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presides. Bishop Elijah Lovett must be changed if we are to go
to the growth of Zion Methodism, first resident bishop of Africa; Madison (died June 25, 1946), who into the world with clean hands."

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tored leading churches of the de-was learned that the question of
nomination for more than thirty dropping the word "African" from
movement. 7-27Bishops Lynwood Westinghouse

Negroes Must Cease Own

Race Segregation of. George E. Haynes of the Depart-

church and lay leaders from the American Mother of 1946. National Emergency Committee

He said that he was "forced to warn the church" that Negroes have come to feel that 'this is the last chance that democracy will have to prove itself as a valid way of life." He asked the church to recognize its own failure "to live up to its moral preachments."

Connally and Byrnes Scored

Mr. White said that Senator Tom Connally and Seceretary of State 25 James F. Byrnes "make a mockery 45 3 of democracy when they propose to be it for Trieste and Bulgaria but at to be of it for Trieste and Bulgaria but at North Mark History and anti-pol-tax legislation and every other kind of Federal legis-solution designed to wipe out racial inequality."

Bishop Oxnam paid tribute to the founders of Zion Methodism of \$3.00 and said that "a church awakthe founders of and said that "a church awakened and militant," would win the against racial and re-

He deplored efforts to maintain "an enduring peace that rests upon social and economic injustice" and re-"an enduring peace that rests upon social and economic injustice," and declared that the time-honored concepts of nations, classes and races are too small to contain all that is needed in the world today. The Christian church of the United States, he added, must break down the principles of separation and segregation. 7 - 18 - 46
Bishop Paris A. Wallace of

Bishop Paris A. Wallace of Brooklyn presided. It was announced that Clark Foreman of Atlanta, president of the South ern Conference for Human Welfare, would address another sesquicentennial gathering this morning at 10 o'clock

150 Year History Given By Abbie

Clement Jackson

ciety and also daughter of the

With celebration of 150 years of Against Mob Violence at the Zion methodism slated to get un-White House tomorrow, declared derway here in September, Mrs. 2 cate of "Bible-holiness"; Isom C. Service program and has given the Clinton, the second tall Chester- service program and has given the fieldian Clinton, and Alexander denomination nearly a quarter of walters, who gave the denomination of spectacular superintion eloquent and effective representation eloquent and effective representation was a member of the william Jacob Walls has been outstanding in the every other racial and religious her husband, Peter Williams, was 5.28

at Negroes Are Doing

Zion Church last week by Mrs. Abbie Clement Jackson, executive secretary of the A. M. E. Zion Women's Missionary Society and daughter of the American Mother of

Sept. 8 in New York City, Mrs. Jackson said that "Mrs. Susan Williams was a member of the John Street Methodist Episcopal Church in New York City and with her husband, Peter Williams, was one of the members who organized the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church." Leville 46 Among the "Pioneer Women of

Zion" were Harriet Tubman, civil war secret agent and temperance advocate: Eliza Ann Gardner, a New Englander and coworker with Frederick Douglass in the abolitionist movement: Malvina Fletcher, a nurse in the home of Postmaster Gen. Blair in 1883; Mrs. Mary Park- in North Carolina who were er, Pittsburgh, Pa., in whose home the A. M. E. Zion Church was organized in that city in 1836; Mother young people were converted in 1835, and Mrs. Adela Turner, an missions and education in Africa. other member of the anti-slavery

were Mrs. Mary Johnson, Florida; damental belief that its obligations goes wrong at the station and the the Sunday School membership from Mrs. Andrew Cartwright, who act are not alone to the Negro people program doesn't get on the air, there seven to 196. companied her husband to Brew-erville, West Africa, in 1875 to "We pride ourselves on being an spread Zion Methodism, Mrs. Julia independent denomination," he add-A. Foote, New York, first woman dea-con of the A. M. E. Zion Church— an obligation to send out an edu-an obligation to send out an edu-1864; Mrs. Mary J. Small, first wom-cated leadership to take its place and A. M. E. Zion elder, ordained in in the progress of our nation."

Sermons on the Gospel of Christ, was built at a cost of \$3,500. Now, Her reason is that Christianity is the congregation has again outan A. M. E. Zion elder, ordained in in the progress of our nation."

playery movements, race relations and political movements along with spreading the Christian church and extending the borders of Zion," said Mrs. Jackson

Dr. Jackson Davis Lauds Zion

Methodist Church for Role in Southern Education

The Negro was praised last

Forty-ninth Street, in an address Names of famous Negro women commending the Zion Methodists were linked to the history of the A. M. E. Zion Church last week by South following the Civil War."

"The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church was well in the midst of this movement to build up education in the South," he With celebration of 150 years of said, "and through a multitude of Zion Methodism to get under way small contributions it was able to provide college funds at a time when the need was unlimited and the resources were meager indeed."

Dr. Davis spoke at the sesquicentennial celebration of the denomination at Mother Zion Church, 140 West 137th Street. He said that "by demonstration and example" and by concentrating its resources, the denomination had made Livingstone College at Salisbury, N. C., "one of the fine Negro achievements in education and religion."

The college, which is now free of debt, Dr. Davis continued, was kept open during the depression by the "denomination and friends aroused to a new sense of responsibility." As proof of its worth, he said, the college can point to grad-

Others named by Mrs. Jackson Livingstone College, said the

vocate of the Women's Temperance and that a good part of its support the told us to pattern ourselves after to gather money for the church special session neither the Union.

To gather money for the church special session neith the Him," she said simply. "I believe the building, she tells those who hear week, according to reliable of the church special session neither the church special s lege Fund. .

declared that "liberalism on the There ain't no beer mugs in heaven, heaven to deposit it in. So, you that this is not a personal matter."

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the news.

William H. Hastie, Governor of at the Scripture. "Whenever you a broadcast, as a method of reaching authority above his church.

the Virgin Islands and the first stress the 'isms,'" she explained, many more people, came into her "The matter is more deeps." night for "self-help and independ- Negro appointed to head an Amer-"people lose sight of the real funda- mind. ence" by Dr. Jackson Davis, vice ican possession, will speak at Mad mentals of religion. president and director of the Gen- ison Square Garden tonight.

NegroWomanDrawsAudience invalids and sick people in hospitals and sanitoriums. With Weekly Radio Sermons

By JANE HALL.

you won't go to hell if you drink and trying to make Him real in a barrel of liquor-'cause brother our lives.

Church, inveigh against the sins of matter.' the world at her church services Nor does she ever preach on night at 7/over WRAL.

falling dramatically as the occasion it or allude to it in her sermons. warrants. A choir and an all-girls quartet, singing old-time gospel "I think people get enough news adds to the services and the pro-without having to listen to their

Has Many Listeners.

The town pricks up its ears Sun- said. day nights when "Sister" Gary be- A dark, short, and somewhat who have advanced the cause of radio listeners-and the figure has has been in North Carolina 14 years, program doesn't get on the air, there seven to 196.
is a flood of inquiring telephone when she first came to Grace Calls. Her sermons frequently are Church, the congregation had only

uated from Livingstone College going to be exactly like Him, but largement of the structure.

and that a good part of its support. He told us to pattern ourselves after. Can't Take It With You

things necessary to make a com- them if they can't walk the streets in bed one night reading "The Story ment in New York just as any

task is to try to make every-day life

Non-Denominational.

"If I insist on your being a Methodist or a Baptist, I am going to lose out on what salvation means "You won't go to hell if you drink to me. Christianity isn't the church, a pint of liquor; you won't go to it isn't a point of view, it isn't hell if you drink a quart of liquor people—it is the teachings of Christ

hell will come right up to you!"

"If we could get organized to Thus does "Sister" Mabel Gary the extent that we could sell Christ pastor of the Grace AME Zior to fallen people, then 'isms' wouldn't

which are broadcast every Sunday topics in the news of the day. The Georgia lynchings, commented on In an excellent, somewhat husky with horror by most ministers, drew radio voice, "Sister" Gary preaches no comment from her pulpit. Not the Gospel of Christ in simple lan-because she was afraid to tackle the guage that is rich in descriptive il-subject, but because she thinks that lustrations and pointed directly at the Gospel of Christ is sufficient the individual. Though she has not for the pulpit. She discussed the had speaking lessons, she has a fine matter in civic groups and similar voice control, her voice rising and gatherings, but did not preach upon Not A Reporter.

hymns with a touch of syncopation, in the newspapers and on the radio ministers choke the same topic down their throats on Sunday," she

gins to preach. According to WRAL stocky Negro with greying hair, Manager Fred Fletcher, slightly "Sister" Gary has preached 23 years Biddle, Baltimore, in whose home uates who head other colleges and more than 30 per cent of Raleigh's since she began in Virginia. She been higher—now listen to her pro- and has been pastoring at Grace William J. Brent Sr., president gram, and at an hour when a na-AME Zion Church here for 10 years.

Livingstone College, said the tionally famous program is being In that time, church membership broadcast. Moreover, if something has increased from 12 to 267, and

> unfinished when her radio time a two-room structure. Steadily increasing numbers, however, soon Practically always, she bases her necessitated a new church, which Sat. 8 Bishop Frank W. Alstork, who a highly individual matter and its grown its building, and "Sister" present fight over the supervision

No Beer Mugs In Heaven. when do die, 'cause there ain't no In the statement, when do die, 'cause there ain't no In the statement, 'If you want to see Jesus, you pockets in shrouds. And if you take Wright reportedly said: O'Connor, assistant editor of PM, have to go to a place where He is, it with you, there'd be no banks in "I want it clearly understood

plete newspaper."

J. R. Wiggins, assistant to the streets of the New Jerusalem. And Phelps. The vividly written account I am the bishop of New York, not bublisher of The New York some of them are so drunk they thrilled her, and, she said, she sudwhen the Church authority sends of the Chicago Defender any place else."

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Sims, only I am pained that he sees fit to rebel against the

pers and friends. One grautying result, she says, has been the many letters of thanks it has brought from

'SISTER' MABEL B. GARY.

Explaining his stand in the Baltimore on May 23, 1898; Mrs.

Bishop Frank W. Alstork, who Anna Vance Tucker, matron of Livingstone College, Salisbury, N. C., that 3,500 students had been grading Miss Mary Lynch, an ardent adult of the Meritage Control of the Meritage Contro

of Raleigh, they can't walk the of Jesus Christ" by Elizabeth Stuart loyal Methodist pastor goes to his.

Then, she continued, the idea of Bishops' Council and to contest its

many more people, came into her mind.

The radio program is financed by voluntary gifts from church mem
New York, it is the coming to a head of a struggle between two

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Church to Play Important The Air-American Baltimore, Md. Role in Coming Elections

NEW YORK (NNPA) Atten even while fighting to open up tion was drawn to the position of state-supported institutions in the the church as an important factor south."

In coming election campaigns as Several musical programs were the sesquicentennial celebration of given by children and adults, a the African Methodist Episcopal choir of several hundred voices are concluded in the several hundred voices. Zion Church drew to a close here directed by James A. Mundy sang,

cago, chairman of the celebration, in which Paul Robeson appeared, said that the Truman administra- applied the activities, tion had "blundered in permitting Also God's Children a show-down to develop between the forces of former Secretary of

lican party to support the late "for there my people were free."

York, Democrats; Governor Will Square Garden pageant and rally.

It is accordingly well to be reminded by such a celebration as this that colored people at the end of the Eighteenth Century were as determined as those of to-day to build something enduring for the greater glory of the group, and to do so with their own means and white twenty years would detern the sepecially at the stations of Syracuse, Almericans acquired courage and vision.

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Gross away from slavery.

He said he believed that colored before would act "wisely" if they

When Booker T. Washington, a Bap
Zion Church is an outstanding example.

and a pageant, directed by Quentin Bishop William J. Walls of Chi-Foster and Miss Marie Coleman

Frederick Douglas, runaway slave, Commerce Henry A. Wallace and walked into a Methodist church in New those responsible for the govern-Bedford, Mass., one fall day in 1838. ment's foreign policy.

Like other Negroes, he had to sit in the Bishop Walls denied that the gallery and was requested to wait for the AME Zion Church would be "used Lord's Supper until the white members and Days lead out for anybody's political football, all had communicated Douglass walked out though individual bishops have the right to make their own choices." of the service. "I went down to a little church on Elm Street and there I stayed,"

Deserted GOP The Bishop deserted the Repub the orator and abolitionist wrote later,

President Roosevelt in his second The Elm Street congregation was a campaign and remained a support-member of the African Methodist Episcoer throughout, developing a great pal Zion Church. Forty-two years earlier, affection for Mr. Wallace. Today, led by James Varick, a shoemaker, however, he has "an equal A.M.E. Zion had withdrawn from a white methodist church in New York for the methodist church in New York for the James Varick, A.M.E. Zion's first bishop The position of the Christian same reasons that brought Douglass to its

church membership. The sesquicenten- Receiving the delegation with Others addressing the Council nial chairman, Bishop William Jacob great cordiality, the President ex- and making reports were Dr. Ray-Walls of New York and New England, pressed his sympathetic friendship mond L. Jones of Atkinson Colfeels an increased membership is an important factor in keeping the Negro from portant factor in keeping the Negro from Reside Rishon Wells the party Hill, S. C.: W. E. Woodyard, Din-



Star of Zion

churches in the political life of doors. In belief, the Negro church held colored people "can grow strong-strictly to Wesleyan tenets, but in pracer," Bishop Walls has noted on tice it wanted its own ministers and its several occasions, and because of own buildings. It wanted its own ministers and its fire everywhere until the whole church John Wesley National Church of fire everywhere until the whole church John Wesley National Church of fire everywhere until the whole church John Wesley National Church of the Sesquicenes of the Sesquicen

tist, planned Tuskegee Institute, he could find no building until an Alabama A.M.E. Zion church offered its premises in 1881.

Two years before, the denomination had founded Livingstone College in North Carolina, a nonsectarian, coeducational institution. In addition, it has today seven secondary schools in this country and 48 Zion Sesquicentennial Commission, to the Conectional Council, held schools in Africa, its largest mission field. Truman this week, inviting him mial celebration, that the Woman's tion is to raise \$2,000,000 to pull the missions out of debt, and to double the York City.

Church Truman Receives

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At New York Mrs. Abbie Clemanton Sesquicentennial Commission, to the Conectional Council, held a delegation called on President in conection with the Sesquicentennial Home and Foreign Missionary Society had raised more than \$121,000 during the past two years.

Church membership. The sesquicenten
Receiving the delegation with Others addressing the Council

of Zion, Charlotte, N. C.; Dr. Ben-tute, Lexa, Ark.; John R. Brown, jamin Congleston Robeson, pastor Johnson Memorial Institute, Tut-Mother Zion Church, New York weiler, Miss. City, Sesquigentennial host; Re R. A. G. Roster, pastor Vari Church and alderman, New Have Conn.; Mrs. Emma Clarissa Cle ent, American Mother of 19 Louisville, Ky.; Atty. Ruth White head Whaley of New York;

Rev. Tollie B. Caution, New York, representing the Episcopal Church in General Convention in Philadelphia; Rev. H. H. Meyer, John Street Methodist Church, New York: Arthur V. Vicory, president Golden Rule Foundation, New York; President Paul F. Douglas,

Beside Bishop Walls the party consisted of Bishop William Cornelius Brown of Los Angeles, Calif.; Bishop William Walter Slade, Charlotte, N. C.; Dr. Walter Greenville, Ala.; Dean Etoria G. Bryver, Walters Southland, Insti-Raleigh Lovell, editor of the Star Dryver, Walters Southland Insti-

Mr. Wallace's "devotion to peace" own define the churches would lean toward him, he said.

"I do not consider him a Communist, just a crusader for peace, the Bishop declared. "Personally my wish is that the 'leftists' would not try to take over church organia rations for their purposes."

Wallace Loss to Party

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to the sesquicentennial during its inteen-day convention and jubilee in New There is a tendency among those of us who are not closing hours, included Represent York. The festivities—with more than too familiar with the history of the Negro in this countainties william L. Dawson of Chi-10,000 delegates expected—included a try to suppose that only in recent decades have colored York, Democrats; Governor Will Square Garden pageant and rally.

It is accordingly well to be remainded to the Virgin Is the Councilmant of the Virgin Is the



President Truman reviews 150 years of Zionism and expresses sympathy for all minority groups as delegation from AME Zion Church extends invitation to the Chief Executive to speak at sesquicentennial convention in New York. President was unable to accept invitation, but expressed accord with principles of convention. Among members of delegation were: Mrs. Emma Clarissa Clement of Louisville, American Mother of 1946; Rev. Marshall Shepard, Washington Recorder of Deeds, and Bishop W. J. Walls. Chicago, who led the delegation (the last two at right and left of President, center). The group was accompanied by Sen. James M. Meade, Democratic candidate for governor of New York. Other members of delegation were Bishops William C. Brown, Los Angeles; C. C. Alleyne, Philadelphia, and William W. Slade, Charlotte, N. C.; Dr. Walter Lovell, Charlotte; Dr. Benjamin C. Robeson, New York; Rev. R. A. G. Foster, New Haven, Conn.; Ruth W. Whaley, New York; Rev. Tollie B. Caution, New York; Rev. H. H. Moyer, New York; Arthur V. Vicory, New York; Paul F. Douglas, president, American University, and Dr. Stephen Spottswood, Washington.

African Methodist Zion
Amsterdam Marks 150 Years
Lhurch Marks 150 Years

THE HISTORY OF AFRI-CAN METHODIST EPISCO-PAL ZIONISM in the United States, Africa, South America and the Islands, is a creditable and praiseworthy example of Christian courage, sacrifice, vision and unyielding determination.

The story began in 1796 with a handful of valorous souls during the dark days of slavery ad was carried precariously through civil and foreign wars, and besetments of religious, racial and financial vicissitudes to its present eminence of service to God and mankind.

150 Years in Sept.

Fittingly the church will celebrate this significant growth by a Sesquicentennial in NewYork City from Sept. 8 to 22, with headquarters at Mother Zion Church 151-53 West 136 St. Bishop William J. Walls, general chairman, Dr. Benjamin C. Robeson, pastor of Zion Church as host and assisted by the entire bishopric, laymen and a barrage of executives Sal 9-7-46

It is a propitious moment for more than half a million Negroes to celebrate one hundred and fifty years of progress, who since banding together under the Christian ban- the AME "Zion" until 1848 when in the vineyards of religion, evan- ation called "Bethel" or the African gelism, education, foreign and home Methodist Episcopal Church. Dur-

Resented 2nd Class

subjected to receiving sacrament after all white members had been Up to 1860, three conferences

founder and first Bishop of the to enter the south for religious AME Zion Church.

First Church



BISHOP WILLIAM J. WALLS General Chairman of the Newsmen Sesquicentennial Commis-

ner of Zionism have thus shown the the word "Zion" was incorporated world the fruits of their labours to distinguish it from the denominmissions and racial advancment. ing the years that followed, heads Wherever the sense of human dignity, which lies at the foundations of morals, has been assailed by prejudice and demoralization, there has arisen zealous souls fired with the embers of decency and of the church were variously termed, Superintendents, District Chairmen or Presiding Elders until the title Bishop was adopted. General conventions began in 1821 and in 1822 the Second Annual Conference was held in Philadelphia, presided over the president of the church were variously termed, Superintendents, District Chairmen or Presiding Elders until the title Bishop was adopted. General conventions began in 1821 and in 1822 the Second Annual Conference was held in Philadelphia, presided over of the church were variously termed. honour to lead the way to freedom.

In 1796, when colored members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the City of New York awakened to their menial positions, being as the first annual conference.

Conferences Extended

served, and other denied privileges, had been organized throughout the a group of dissenters made a com- north, which was extended by applete severance with the John St. pointment of a missionary to the Church and set up their own place south. Rev. James Walker Hood of worship in a Cross St. stable was the first to actually undertake converted into a cabinet maker's the mission and reached New Bern, N. C., in 1864 at the near close of The names of some of those who the Civil War. Through the bene-church. In 1864 the church had addressed the audience, after distribution and second are of historic importance: ficence of Miss Melvina Fletcher, spread with such rapidity, nine conwhich a question and answer personal rights for all minority groups.

Francis Jacobs. William Brown a trustee of the Zion Church in ferences had been formed, north riod followed. Francis Jacobs, William Brown, a trustee of the Zion Church in and south, continued to grow until riod followed.

Peter Williams, Abraham Thomp- Washington, D. C., and a maid in 1876 the General Conference in Pastors I son, Thomas Miller and particular- in the home of Postmaster General Louisville was the largest delegate

Pastors Lose Lead Role

pointed out: "It's up to the church

Dr. Walter Lovell, editor, the to assume rightful leadership in ly James Varick who later became Blair, obtained a pass for Rev. Hood body to that time. purposes. She also gave him a contribution of \$50 in gold to aid him The spread of Zionism from 1864 only leaders of the people, but than pray. You make the news



Dr. Benjamin C. Robeson

Bishops Added

The first church, on the corner on his way, thus stamping the to 1944 was phenomenl, during that this leadership has been taken and Leonard, was chart-freework and property of the property o of Church and Leonard, was chart-ered in February 1801 and called framework and progress of the been elected, twelve of whom are lawyers and other professionals. ment. living, each credited with many As a result, a great jealousy has

years active service in establishing new territories. Bishop Hood, elected in 1872, served 46 years, the which interferes with harmonious which interferes with harmonious and the service in establishing developed between the two groups which interferes with harmonious and the service in establishing new territories. longest period of any bishop elected press relations. by the general conference. He died in 1918. Bishop John B. Small not been fair to the colored press," in 1918. Bishop John B. Small elected in 1896 was the first bishop sent to Africa, and Bishop Alexander Walters, elected in 1892, later organized the four African conferences, West Gold Coast, Cape Coast, Liberia and Cape Conference.

It is true that the church has not been fair to the colored press," he said. "It has wanted publicity but has been unwilling to pay for them."

N.Y. Times Policy

The New York Times 1892. Coast, Liberia and Cape Conference. The New York Times editor ex-

began as early as 1819, and with such distinctions when: other schools shows its greatest. A story is about a colored artist development in Livingstone College or singer; when it refers to race at Salisbury, N. C., a nationally clashes and riots (like the Georknown institution of learning. In gia and Mississippi lynchings); the journalistic field there are and when police are searching for many publications, the largest of an alleged criminal, in which case which is the "Star of Zion". The his racial identification would help located in Charlotte N. AME Zion Publishing House is in his apprehension. located in Charlotte, N. C. There P.M. Asks More located in Charlotte, N. C. There are twelve living bishops; two thousand church buildings valued at \$15,000,000; and more than 500,000 members. Bishop Walls recently addressed executives of the Sesqui Movement and said, "Our people are God's people. They have the cause of Christ on their hearts, it would continue and asserted that cause of Christ on their hearts, it would continue, and asserted that is growing larger in their visions. Harlem readers know it and Zion' sons and daughters are as should have "the sense to buy it." should have "the sense to buy it."

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N.Y. Editors Tell

Current Policies

Told to Back Agencies

Seeking Full Equality

NEW YORK—An interracial panel discussion on how the white press could eliminate racial news fidentifications, especially in crime floods of news releases about dry something besides mailing out floods of news releases about dry something topics. program last Friday at Mother word for word.

AME Zion Church.
Representatives of the AFRO-

Dishop Paris A. Wallace, elected in 1920, still lives and is the senior bishop.

Activities

Educational endeavors of Zionism began as early as 1819 and with such distinctions rehards to make the senior bishop.

might buy PM if they had "the cents" to buy it.

the world Christians of at it.

The Lord "PM has the spelling wrong on "PM has the spelling wrong on that word," he said, and emphasized that it isn't necessary to call an artist or a singer "colored" she was an artist or singer.

Pastors Counseled

Earl Conrad, local Chicago De-Earl Conrad, local Chicago Defender editor, stated that the church should align itself with progressive elements like the C10 which fights discrimination.

It was concluded during the discussion period that the church

stories, and how the church could sermons and uninteresting topics simprove its relations with the and expecting them to be printed press, featured a sesquicentennial in colored and white newspapers, at Mother word for word

AFRO Writer Cheered

The news men suggested that AMERICAN, Pittsburgh Courier, The news men suggested that Chicago Defender, the newspaper the ministers could secure a better press also by fighting assistation.

Star of Zion, pointed out that, for the uphill struggle for freedom. merly, colored pastors were the There's something we can do other

other participants were:

to be held in New York schools in the denomination ac- ment to all, free of charge. The authors are well known credited schools and expanding the ne of the Fourth Episcopal

ness, but to work for an interra-

night. Saturday will end the ses-'Miss AME Zion Church.

YORK .- Choosing as his theme "Forward with Assurance and Certainty" in which he vig-man's determination to guarantee orously condemned the many bru-the rights of all minority groups fal lynchings and discrimination in was relayed to the AME Zion the South and pleaded for a world Sesquicentennial Celebration durwhere there "will be no Negroing a meeting at Mother Zion

Harlens, no Jewish glettoes are Church here on Sept. 18.

Speaking for the President, who ford F. Gordon recently opened the 150th Anniversary Celebration of the African Methodist Episco-centennial's invitation to speak, of the African Methodist Episco-centennial's invitation to speak, pall Church at Mother Zion Church at Mother Zion Church and Method said.

Speaking for the President, who is civil rights by any other per areas in which tension may arise, cluded, "but we must face the sor or by any firm, corporation, They included health, education, facts."

Other speakers said that the same and control of the political, race and interfaith.

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Interested in Legislation

members, clergymen and visitors in the pews of Mother Zion and "The President rejoices with Foreman, president of Southern that some of the lynchers and the most important problem is getting with 12 bishops of the denominayou in the 150th anniversary of Conference for Human Welfare, KKK are supposedly Christians.

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cial consciousness that will break ophy of religion to live together.

that is accomplished de ed Americans everywhere. mocracy is threatened from with-Led by Commissioner Samuel in even as we were threatened brought by the following: Fraternal Los Angeles delivered an address Battles, one of the prominent lay from without in recent days. I am on the "Mission and Strategy of men of Dr. Benjamin C. Robeson's convinced that we can achieve real A. J. Allen; CME Bishop Luther sized the psychological subtleties 10,000 visitors and members took a prominent role in this.

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Mrs. Creola B. Cowan of Phila-sands along line of march. Seat-racy; if we don't, we make a mock withdrew in 1796, and Dr. William delphia, second vice-chairman of ed on a specially arranged review-ery of it. We must extend democ-A. Jernagin of the Fraternal the celebration, presided. Among ing stand in front of the Lafayette racy at home and believe in it Council of Churches. Theatre were high dignitaries of with all our hearts.'

Grand, Mrs. Emory Ross, Mrs. delegates Bishop Gordon made a on Sept. 19 at Carnegie Hall, Gov. David DeSola Poole, Miss Edith number of proposals which were Thomas E. Dewey declared, "In owery and Miss Rena Weller taken under consideration for act the face of the advancing enlight-Solos were sung by Miss Anita tion. They were: Discontinuance of enment of our citizens, every real wilson, and Mrs. Andrades L. They were in the denomination of the actual time actual t and Mrs. Andrades L. mum for bishops in the denomination; continuing appointment of pastors annually by the bishop, but

Appointed Two

placing no limit on how long a placing no limit on how long a of social development, the Governor singled out the tuberculosis panding the program of evangel-nor singled out the tuberculosis

the fife of Zion Method-church program of evangelism.

James Clair Taylor of Roy Wilkins of NAACP; Dr. W. tionment Act which brought into cussed at the First AMEZ Church one person in the entire United N. J., editor of the AME H. Jernagin, Fraternal Council of Review and pastor Negro Churches; Dr. Max Yergan. See Son Church in his Negro Churches; Dr. Max Yergan.

Then, pointing out that the lenging act of the AME Zion Charen 7-14-4 Education and Action Thursday State Government has outlawed Action. the Ku Klux Klan in the State, he Participants included Bishop sions with an all-day service at termed New York's pioneer law Buford F. Gordon of Charlotte, To one speaker's suggestion that Madison Square Garden and at 5 against discrimination "a powerful N.C., Dr. James W. Eichelberger the church be concerned with the p.m. there will be the crowning of "Miss AME Zion Church" example of principle translated and Dr. M. S. Rudd. into action.

At the same time, he revealed "Christian faith for 2,000 years discrimination everywhere.

All Given Equal Protection out, it is stated that:

"No person shall, because of for whom to vote." race, color, creed, or religion, be

Southern Conference's Work

Varick. But today, he said, "our that there never has been such an he said. "All of our meetings and task is not to build race-conscious-urgent need for same as now." gatherings are held on an unsegregated basis.

Unified Fight Urgent to the whole country and should from going to YMCA camps. be fought by democratically mind-

resident in the techniques of soul- part in a parade Saturday after-noon that was viewed by thou"We must evangelize for democ-from which the original Zionites

W. Eichelberger, Mrs. Abram Le In discussing issues before the Grand, Mrs. Emory Ross. Mrs. delegates Bishop Gordon made at the Sesquicentennial Importance of Assuming The agro- Umerican lajor Role Recognized

Work Now Taken Over by Other Agencies Church Plans Cultural Program for Equality

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In addition, he expressed his manent peace for the masses of vacillating Chirstians.

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Value of Ballot Cited

a little known fact—that many of has been the bulwark of civiliza—Declaring that the matter of Against Discrimination in ployment had been written into tianity is challenged and go back he said, "We can't have world the State Constitution during the there and challenge the challenge until the church takes a peace until the church takes a lengers."

Declaring that "politics is the In an amendment, he pointed most important and best way in "Christianity has never gone getting demands for social, eco-into these race tension areas.

11 Areas of Tension

Others, Not Church, in Lead

He also related a story of a get the chance to be discriminated Southern white woman who dur. Describing the source of 50 cm. Southern white woman who dur- Describing the difference being a survey of 50 white persons tween hospitals for colored and

Urging the church to take a de A white

hymns have been adopted by ism; increasing the fund for Livelimination program by which the NEW YORK — Actions which jim crow and brutality and to ingstone College (the main destruction of the 150th nominational institution in North for each of its 14 million peopleting discrimination, segregation equal opportunity, he added, "We care the control of the destruction of the the South and guaranteeing a per to depend on these pussy-footing,

Quarterly Review and pastor Negro Churches; Dr. Max Yergan, and Mrs. Bettye Lee Roberts National Negro Congress, and Dr. In the of Philadelphia, wife of Clark Foreman, Southern Conferdop Cameron Chesterfield Alegae for Human Welfare, will head to of the Fourth Episcopal District of Speakers for Social Then, pointing out that the lenging Christian Faith and tians, not politicians."

In the MRE H. Jernagin, Fraternal Council of being the 22nd Congressional District National Negro Churches; Dr. Max Yergan, trict, of which Adam C. Powell The session, part of the sesquing the centennial meeting, has as its the church can do anything unless theme, "Areas and Tensions Chalter the world is in the hands of Christian Faith and tians, not politicians."

Isolation Held Impossible

To one speaker's suggestion that problems of discrimination in America only, Dr. Eichelberger pointed out that discrimination is pointed out that discrimination is

the basic provisions of the Law tion," Dr. Rudd pointed out. "We race prejudice is similar throughstand.

"No person shall be denied the nomic and political equality," he Some people say you can't hasten 5 equal protection of the laws of said that "it is up to the church things . . . and that God would this State or any subdivision there—to teach people how to vote and have changed it if He wanted it to change.

"I am not asking you to change race, color, creed, or religion, be subjected to any discrimination in Dr. Eichelberger described 11 your ideas," Dr. Eichelberger con-

do anything about the fight waged church, that something, other than Earlier on Sept. 18, Dr. Clark for equal salaries and pointed out prayer, is necessary and that the

ting new and hopeful precedents Indies, and other places, he are even worse than those of the warned, "Imperialism must go." Jews because colored have laws set against them, and don't even

who had changed their minds white patients in North Caroling A white ambulance driver/was

Street Baptist Church, pride of Bap- of The Courier-Journal. tists the Nation over as well as a source of inspiration to Kentucky and 125,000 Negro Baptists, which means all Atlantans, has done it again. Under the splendid lead-that one person out of five in the State is a member ership of Dr. William Holmes Borders—an equal source of a Baptist church. As the oldest and largest repride to Negro Baptists and to Negro Atlantans — the responsibility and opportunity to work for the moral church brings to its members and to the Atlanta public and spiritual welfare of all the people, and we hope three murals, 'The Crucifixion,' 'The Baptism' and 'The to the welfare of Kentucky and the world in these Lord's Supper," the latter two being the ordinances in the critical times in which we live. W. C. Boo Louisville. Baptist denomination. atlanta, La.

The awe-inspiring works, painted by Hale Woodruff, Baptist Women world's most celebrated Negro artist represent a unique the world's most celebrated Negro artist, represent a unique departure in church worship services, not only among Negroes but white people as well, particularly in the South. Four And as far as we are able to ascertain, these murals which required the better part of two years to be completed, are the Sat. 9-14-46 first of their kind to be found in any Negro church in the of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., which met Wednesday mission measure. entire South, and numbered among the precious few in the through Sunday here last week in Greater Wheat Street Baptist

Situation directly back of of the chancel and lifted to Re-elected were Mrs. S. W. Laya point above it, the works provide a unique setting for Nannie H. Burroughs, Washington, continued. Friday afternoon, meditation, for worship and for a whole-hearted entry into D. C., corresponding secretary, child-welfare committee period, in regulatins on public carriers. the spirit of worship. Indeed, the impressive setting is not Ala., treasurer, and Mrs. E. Arling- of Pennsylvania, was compared to Milson, St. Louis, Mo., histor- followed by an interracial period women, and that they not be good to the minister and his message but likewise ian. is a challange to live again the realism of the Biblical scenes Raised from second to first vice Christian Women Negro Women labeled as Jane, Sally or Mary, of those great, eternal truths of history.

We congratulate the Wheat Street Baptist Church, forvice president. its wide and wholesome influence in Atlanta, And with BUSY SESSIONS The opening sessions on Wed-Pennsylvania leading discussions equal admiration and sincerity, we extend our generous nesday featured mission study and on the chairer, with general the several control of the equal admiration and sincerity, we extend our generous nesday featured mission study and on "The Church," with general words of congratulations to Dr. Borders, whose leadership Christian leadership classes, a forum discussions on "The School" Re-elect Prince is not only a source of inspiration and constant challengetee, a session called by the State a report of the committee on someting with call action by Dr. Burroughs.

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adjourned their convention to go to the municipal auditorium for a joint meeting with colored Baptists Baltimore , 1114.

There was talk about a "spirit of good will" and "we have come to have fellowship with you." Sat. 11-2.3

They were all Baptists together, but there couldn't have been more ado had it been a joint religious service for Catholics and Protestants.

The Southern whoop-la leaves us cold. What kind of fellowship puts white Baptists in the gallery and colored on the main floor?

Segregation is jim crow no matter which race is in the

buzzard's roost

General Association of Baptists

in Kentucky, I am writing to thank The Courier-Journal for the courtesy in reporting our annual meeting at Ashland during the past week (November Your representative, Joe Reister, attended all of our sessions and was most courteous and friendly n his attitude. His reports were accurate and informing, and we feel that you rendered a great service, not only to the Baptists of the state, but to the ublic in reporting the deliberations of the General

We especially appreciate the generous space and the pictures given us in the State

There are 450,000 white Baptists in ligious group in the State, we are conscious of our

Church, were re-elected, and two other persons were elevated during elections packed with enthusiasm. HONOR LAYTEN, BURROUGHS

Burroughs.

ed by Mrs. W. R. Thomas, chair-day morning with a special sermon man of the art and supply com-by the Rev. H. H. Coleman of Demittee, substituting for Mrs. O. C. troit; a foreign mission mass meet-Maxwell of New York, because of

the first two Thursday sessions Hit Columbians which featured a continuation of Hit Columbians mission study and Christian leadership classes, the annual address by Mrs. Layten, who was presented

Dr. Layten presided at the eve-

Friday morning, mission study tunities for Negro children. on the theme, "In the New Period

the Rev. Luther E. Cunningham o

testimonial banquet honoring ditorium, Thursday Addresses were made by Dr. Bur-roughs was staged in the Butlernine terms, was unopposed and responses by Mrs. E. D. McGowan program, directed by Mrs. Ettahis address he condemned all and Miss Kennedy Jackson; a pres-versa Frye, was also presented. The educational study and classes forms of undemocratic manifestation of supplies and needs of the National Baptist Missionary were an electronic program.

the National Baptist Missionary were on the Saturday morning tions which are sweeping the nation Training School by Mrs. Maude J. agenda, as well as elections and and the world, declaring that Bap-Brockway, and a home and foreign the reports of State directors and tists do not accept as Christian missions period, under Mrs. I. M. general comittees, with the womany group or organization which Coggs of Wisconsin, chairman, aid-en's convention being closed Sun-

Mrs. Layten presided over Carolina Bantists Wednesday sessions.
Mrs. Viola T. Hill presided over World Mamphie, Jenny.

(SNS) by Mrs. Anna L. Talley of Indi-Appearing deeply disturbed overMrs. Julia Mae Durerson ana, as well as annual reports by the ontoward evil in the revival The convention has pledged Dr. Burroughs and Mrs. Gibbs, and Ku Klux Klan and the organiza-step up its support of five schools State pageant directed by Mrs. tion of the Columbians, Inc. Southincluding the following: Carolina Baptists, at their stateCollege, ning meeting, which was featured convention Thursday, issued re-Baptist College, Macon, Ga., Lynchby reports from the education buke against these undemocratic burg Theological Seminary, Guada committee, of which Mrs. Edna organizations. The Convention lupe College at Seguin, Tex., and Bronson is chairman, and the min-headed by Dr. D. M. Rivers, also Mary Allen College, Crockett, Tex. steers' wives committee, whose chairman is Mrs. Mary O. Ross.

The convention also pledged to enact a local option law next \$60,000 to the Foreign Mission.

year against the liquor traffic. NEGRO BAPTISTS CHOOSE ALA-

BAMIAN

The 66th annual session of th National Baptist Convention. Negro organization, held recently in Atlanta, elected the Rev. D. VF Jamison, of Selma, Ala., presi 5 dent and indorsed his platforn which asked:

1. Equal rights for Negroes in the courts.

2. Adoption by Congress of the anti-lynching bill and the Fair Employment Practice Com-

3. Abolition of the poll tax.

4. Equal educational oppor-

5. Abolition of "Jim Crow

president was Mrs. Viola T. Hill Through Faith Organizing to In-but that they will be honored as of Orlando, Fla. Mrs. Mary O sure World Stability," with Mrs. Ross of Detroit was elected second M. E. Hubbard of California lead-other women are, with Miss or S

remain the servants of the peo ple in the pews.

Other Groups Meet Meeting inconjunction with the iary of which Mrs. M. A. B. Fuller's Brotherhood Union, headed by Ira Clark of Houston, and the

-Youth's Convention, headed by Sumter, S.C.

which Woullard is pastor. Classes ment to the Negro and he made CHURCH, CHRISTIANITY

Alice Ruth Woullard, Lillian Bu ney and Dr. A. B. Menelik, wh dean of the school

B-U-L-L-E-T-I-N

ATLANTA-The National Bar tist Convention, Inc., will hold its 1947 session next September in Kansas City, Mo., and its BTU and Sunday School Congress will convene next June in the California cities of San Francisco and Oakland.

By LUCIUS JONES

Other Stories on Page 10

ATLANTA, Ga.-Boasting reputed numerical strength f 4,000,000—nearly a third of the entire colored population of America—the National Baptist Convention, Inc., held its sixty sixth annual session in the city auditorium here Wednesday through be honored as other women are Sunday, last week, with more with the title "Miss" or "Mrs." than ten thousand delegates from thirty-seven States of can protect itself which does not the Union and the District of use the ballot. Columbia.

of color or social status into racial NBC president, were the National of violence, "we have lynchings and churches. Bishop W. A. Fountain Curious Retraction or class churches is a denial of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, pastored any State in the Union in which er denominations, and Dr. George of Caurious Retraction brought greetings on behalf of other Course of the Baptists when the wo-no murder has been committed D. S. Kelsey brought greetings for the Baptists when sections of our coundorn more peneral manager of the Atlanta county of the Key What Church, of which the Rev. Williamder, when the murderers believe Daily World and Scott Newspaper of the North Carolina Baptist Conference of the Church. "National Moderators' Convention incrimes are committed is so saturate half of the Negro press.

Liberty Baptist Church, pastored with prejudice, ill will and the The Rev. J. T. Dorsey presided matters, we pointed out that the Baptists are close by the Rev. B. L. Davis, idea of a supremacy of one race over the colorful welcome program to reclining. This closeness has new put the North Carolina Baptist Church.

convention-carried on in the same"Righteousness exalteth a Nation.

State in which the heinous episodebut sin is a reproach to any peo-happened. This but fit, Ca. ple." He traced the development of the atomic bomb and its potentialities as one of the reasons the (1) We do not desire, when a God and the Brotherhood of Man Negro has committed a crime, must prevail be the world be de-that he be shielded or harbored stroyed by the foolishness of the by members of his race. We want, stroyed by the foolishness of the when a Negro has committed a property of the crime that he has committed a property of the committed as the co

that he be given a fair RE-ELECTED BY crime, that he be given a fair ACCLAMATION trial before an unprejudiced, in ACCLAMATION

We plead for equal rights

We want the Fair Em-

in the courts of the country.

bill, which has been a stence in

the nostrils of Congress, to be passed. Sat. 9-14-46

Bill to be passed. The passing of

relates to economic standing and

of the poll-tax. We do not be-

lieve that anyone should be bar-

red from voting because of poll-

portunity to educate ourselves and our children, just as other

of the jim-crow system on public

carriers. Wherever equal fares are paid, equal accommodations should be given.

nition for Negro women, and that they will not be labelled as Jane,

Sally or Mary, but that they will

(9) We want to vote for the

reason that no race or Nation

(6) We plead for an equal op-

(7) We plead for the abolition

(8) We plead for full recog-

security.

people do.

DENOUNCED

It was immediately after the terracial jury, and not have to thunderous applause which this speech received that Dr. J. C. tin of Chicago made a motion that the rules be suspended and Dr. Jemison be elected by acclamation (3) We want the anti-lynching for another year as president of the National Baptist Convention, The motion was seconded by the Rev. M. W. Whitt of Alabama. It was swiftly carried, and, immediately Dr. J. W. Tate of New ployment Practices Commission York entertained another motion this bill will mean more to the that all officers of the convention Negro than anything else, as it be re-elected by acclamation. This motion, seconded by the Rev. Calvin Perkins of Mississippi, also (5) We believe in the abolition was carried.

Mayor William B. Hartsfield, in welcome address, told more than 5,000 delegates that he assured them that Atlanta was glad they came. He said that this area provided more Baptists, he felt sure. than any other section.

Dr. J. W. Middleton, pastor of First Baptist Church, white, said there can be no new world until there are new men.

NOTED WHITE BAPTIST LEADER SPEAKS

Dr. Louie D. Newton, liberal president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, white said, "as long as you are afraid you are already defeated in your will to solve the problems of this world."

Dr. L. A. Pinkston, president of

Georgia Baptists, brought a wel-come on their behalf. L. D. Milton, president of Citizens' Trust Company Bank, brought greetings on behalf of business enterprises. Dr. "In some States," declared Dr.W. W. Weatherspool, pastor of emison in the prepared message Mount Olive Baptist Church, sessions of the conven- "In some States," declared Dr. w. w. weatherspool, pastored over by Dr. D. V. Jemison in the prepared message Mount Olive Baptist Church, Selma, Ala., re-elected which denounced the recent wave brought greetings for the Baptist

PRESIDENT DR. D. V. JEMISON Selma, Ala.

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For Negro Students

At Hattiesburg

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According to the Rev. A.

A seminary shad and and for the Rev. J. T. Dorsey presided matters, we pointed out that the Baptists are close of the order that there will be only a feeble effort to bring the ProMinistry Tigures. All national officers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the New Tostament Almona Baptist and deserves the treatment of hundred recommended of the Convention and over the Negro believes as relates ficers, also active at the convention of the Convention adopted unanimously was a declaration of the

expunged resolution, to "a denial of the New Testa-" are conducted four days weekly. (a plea for the extension on a world- Dr. Jemison stated that neither Re-elected Officers of the ment affirmation of the equality of all believers." The faculty is composed of Dr. wide basis of justice and fairnessgood white or colored people cannot be found by the flavor of the rough elements of their National Bapt. Convention.

However, it would be unfair to imply that the flavor of the rough elements of their National Bapt. Convention.

Alice Buth Woullard Lillian By Monroe lynchings as a disgrace to respective races. He advocated a convention has been conscienceless in this matter, the church and the Church a America and as a reason why evenreturn to the Church and the Chris-Inc.; for Year, 1946-1947 for 158 of the delegates stuck to their original position, although overwhelmed. And the convention did retain in its resolutions a statement condemning "any doctrine of racial superiority," including "the

Ku Klux Klan's propaganda of white supremacy." Furthermore, it retained resolutions urging immediate passage of a Federal anti-lynching law, and equal hospitalization, education and suffrage for Negroes. These are affirmations of material needs.

It is a pity that the convention's position in the realm = of spiritual needs was less regenerate. Oklahoma City, Okla.

SECRETARY

DR. J. M. NABRIT

Memphis, Tenn.

ASSISTANT SECRETARIES

Savannah last week made history. The THE REV. T. MOORE KING Negro Baptists of the state met at the historic Bryan Baptist Church, and bore out the Negro's traditional spirit of forgive-THE REV. U. J. ROBINSON ness. No other race on earth possesses THE REV. W. P. WHITFIEL this spirit in the proportion that American Negro does. The Negro con-SECRETARY OF PUBLICITY vention passed resolutions asking the people of Georgiei to set aside a day on which to offer prayer for Governor-elect Tal-THE REV. ROLAND SMITH madge, a man who calls them "descend ints of cannibals," and pronounces them unfit for American civilization. The white Baptists met 500 strong in a fellowship meeting with the Negro Baptists, 34 making the occasion the first time, as far is we know, that two such groups have

o realize that the Christian Church must

net together. The speakers from both ? onventions expressed the pardonable hope hat the meeting was a bright augury for he future of the two races here in , the 3 South. It is altogether fitting that this > 2 gesture of brotherhood should have taken 2 place at the convention site of two religious dellowships. Many people are beginning

RTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS LD GREAT CONVENTION

\$101,623.34; and 1945-'46, \$134,338.90

RALEIGH, N. C.-With a spirit BUDGET APPROVED

of enthusiasm and unity, approximately 700 messengers representing dent P. A. Bishop, the body ap1,700 churches of the General Bap-proved a budget of \$180,000 for the
tist State Convention of North current fiscal year to cover its gifts
Carolina, met at the Ebenezer Bapto Shaw University, the Lott Carey
tist Church here recently and di-Foreign Mission Convention, the
rected their attention to the stew-Oxford Orphanage, and to be used
ardship of the Church in combatin a State program of missions and
ting social ills.

OFFICERS REFUECTED OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

DR. MAYS SPEAKS

Dr. Benjamin E. Mays of At- Dr. P. A. Bishop. Rich Square lanta, Ga., in the principal address was reelected president of the conon "The Church and the Moral vention for the sixth consecutive Crisis," warned the representatives year. and Dr. W. H. Davidson, that the present crisis which is Charlotte, was reelected first vice-bringing disaster to humanity president for the third consecutive throughout the world is not one of year. economics, ideologies, or race rela-OFFICERS REELECTED tions, but a moral crisis.

tions, but a moral crisis.

Dr. Mays is president of Morehouse College and vice-president were: the Rev. D. C. Gore, Whiteof the Federal Council of Churches ville, second vice-president, the
Christ in America.

Other executive officers reelected vicewere: the Rev. D. A. Nimmo, Greenville, third

of the Federal Council of Churches vine, second vice-president; the of Christ in America.

Rev. J. A. Nimmo, Greenville third The paramount issue of repre-vice-president; the Rev. Thomas sentatives at the United Nations Kilgore, executive secretary, the Conference is "what can we do for Rev. W. M. Wyatt, Salisbury, rethe protection of our individual nacording secretary; Dr. B. K. Mations," he pointed out, "and the son, Charlotte, assistant recording paramount issue in politics is to secretary; the Rev. D. L. Simon, get elected to office; a condition Powellsville, treasurer, and the true with politicians in Georgia and Rev. M. W. Williams, Raleigh, sta-Mississippi and also with those in tistician.

North Carolina."

Elected as trustees of the con-the world which puts its trust in leigh; Dr. J. W. Tynes. Greens-God and that this country has put boro; Dr. W. P. Carter, Gastonia; its trust in the power of its Army, the Rev. L. W. Wertz, Hamlet, and its air force, and in the atomic the Rev. J. A. Nimmo of Greenbord."

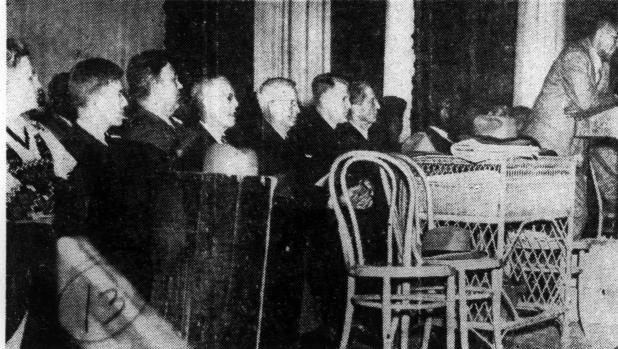
cil of Churches.

W. L. Greene, executive secretary of the North Carolina Teachers Association; T. A. Hamme, superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage; the Rev. W. L. Mason, Rocky Mount; the Rev. E. W. Dixon, Asheville; the Rev. Jerry Drayton, Winston-Salem; and the Rev. O. P. Foster of Thomasville.

A GROWING PROGRAM

Confronted with inadequate of-fice space for its growing program and enlarged staff of workers presently numbering fifteen, convention formally launched two years' campaign for \$100. two years' campaign for \$100,000, to be used in constructing a head-quarters building in Raleigh. The organization at present has headquarters building in organization at present has head-quarters on the second floor of the quarters on the second floor of the quarters building in Shaw University Leonard

A report on the finance of convention during the past years by Executive Secretary Thomas Kilgore gives the following increases: 1940-'41, \$7,853,03; 1941-'42, \$20,155.09; 1942-'43, \$30,-827.86; 1943-'44, \$71,086.60; 1944-'45, Reconsider Defeated 253-158



Among other outstanding speakers addressing the meeting were por Robert P. Daniel, president of Shaw University; Dr. Vernon Johns, Farmville, Va.; the Rev. of the board of missions.

Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va.; Dr. W. C. Somerville, executive secretary of the Lott Caree Foreign Mission Convention, U.S.A.; the Rev. Charles Jones, Chapel Hill; the Rev. Charles McConnell, Franklinton; Dr. E. L. Hillman, president of the North Carolina Council of Churches.

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Religious News Service Photo.

By OTIS L. HAIRSTON

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Which prohibit free association of the the proposal brought its de- The racial issues of the proposal our citizenship across so-called

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tion of the proposal brought its delete association of the proposal brought its delete by a 258 to 158 vote.

According to an official of theeducation and suffrage among Neconvention, the resolution was re-groes; equal wages and equal treationally deleted following the receipt of a ment of Negro employes and the flood of telegrams protesting the passing of legislation, both state move "to open the doors of white and national, as would assure fair thurches to Negro members."

The resolution was voted upon by Congress of a Federal Antiduring the first day of the three Lynching Bill.

day session of the group and said Negro Baptists, meeting in Charin part, "if there is an equality of lotte, N. C., for the Seventy-ninth all men by virture of their relationship to an impartial Creator, vention of North Carolina, two and an equality of all believers weeks previous, had passed resolutions of the redemption of tions opposing segregation. Under a theme of "The Church and So-

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cial Ills," delegates approved resolutions which stated:

"Thirty of forty-eight states of our nation have statutory laws prohibiting the free association of citizens of the United States, to thouse freely companions for the choose freely companions for the fireside and home and in other mutually desirable social relationships, as between individuals.

We observe that the artificial separation forced upon the American people in secular affairs by unconstitutional laws of a majority

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JUST TOO MUCH DIXIE PRESSURE: ms Forces White Bap ASHEVILLE, N.C.—Doing a complete turnabout, the

North Carolina Baptist Convention (white), which on Nov. 19 went on record as opposing segregation of the races in the church, removed the precedent-making, anti-discrimination resolution from its records two days later, attributing its action to outside pressure.

The resolution, which had been approved unanimously as part of the annual report of the Convention Committee on Social Service and Civic Righteousness, had stated:

"If there is an equality of all men by virtue of their relationship to an impartial Creator, and an equality of all believers who share in the redemption of Christ, such equalities must be respected in the body of Christ, which is the church.

Segregation Held Inconsistent With Bible

"Therefore, segregation of believers holding to the same tenets of faith because of color or social status into racial or class churches is a denial of the New Testament affirmation of the equality of believers at the foot of the Cross and alien to the spirit of Christ, the head of the church."

Explaining the later action of the body, which was bolding its 116th and the restallent that there were the Rev. A. L. and a party to the present suit, was so branded, while the present suit suit.

holding its 116th annual session, a convention official declared that a flood of telegrams protesting the move had resulted in a reconsideration of the resolution and its de- Mr. Henderson, James H. Hilton During other testimony the feat by 253 to 158 on Nov. 21.

Although heated discussion of the anti-discrimination ordered to join the cleric in pay-have referred to Fisher as "one issues in the report had been expected, none developed and not one disserting vote wasive but was opposed to the war-\$100,000 damages each.

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accepted report called for:

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Two Deacons Also Assessed

After 2-Week Libel Suit Trial

LOS ANGELES—By a 10-2-vote, an all-white jury hear the Second Baptist Church following the death of the Rev. ing a \$200,000 libel suit against the Rev. J. Raymond Hender Thomas L. Griffith Sr. son, pastor of Second Baptist Church here, ordered him to pay \$10,000 exemplary and punitive damages to two former In it, the Rev. Alex D. Venermembers of the church.

The two were the Rev. A. L. able, not a party to the present by "malicious, unprivileged and The letter, Hilton testified, was

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3. Equal hospitalization, education and voting privilegas for all adoption of the resolution, In amending the report, the convention realized what was in convention also eliminated direct the report, but I do not believe reference of FEPC legislation, its adoption will affect our practices in the slightest."

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son who had been constantly defamed by the dissident members in pamphlets, articles and talks.

The two plaintiffs were expelled from membership in the Second Baptist Church at a meeting Oct. 12, 1945, according to the testi-

Following the ousting of the two members and the subsequent charges and counter-charges, the Rev. Mr. Henderson tendered his formal resignation as pastor on Nov. 4, 1945, before an overflow

Resignation Regretted

However, in a closed meeting held later the same week, his resignation was rejected by the members.

An honor graduate of Virginia Union University at Richmond, the Rev. Mr. Henderson is in his fifth year as pastor of the church.

He formerly served in New Rochelle, N.Y.; New Jersey and in Atlanta, and accepted the call to

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Chicago by planes, trains and automobiles. This was by far the largest advanced enrollment in the history of the National Baptist Convention, the history of the National Baptist Sunday School and BTU Congress, which convened in its forty-first annual session. The congress closed Sunday night with Dr. John Temple, Greater St. John, St. John Temple, Greater St. John, St. Luke Baptist Church, Chicago Baptist Institute, Bethesea Baptist Church, Olivett Restrict Church, and Tabrosia and the Rev. F. L. Williams, pastor of Eureka Baptist church, son, pastor of Eureka Baptist church, and the Rev. F. L. Williams, pastor of the National Baptist Convention, at which time session was held at the Chicago Coliseum at Fifteenth and Wabash Avenue, which was taxed to its capacity.

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West Point Baptist Church, Olivet Baptist Church and the Tabernacles Baptist Church, headquarters for registration for homes. The fortyfirst annual session of the congress was opened Tuesday morning. June 18, at 10 o'clock, by the president, Dr. W. H. Jernagin, Washington, D. C. The keynote address was delivered by A. Frank-lin Fisher of Brooklyn, N. Y., dean of the congress. The president's delivered message was Thursday afternoon.

CONGRESS PROGRAM The theme for the congress for he next four years, "The Task of Christian Leadership Training in a World Community." The 1946 emphasis was an "Evengelism." One hundred and forty-six courses ere taught with credit being given for the work done by the National Baptist Sunday School Publishing Board and Affiliate of the International Council of Religious Education. The faculty of more GUEST SPEAKERS—Top: At the sechan two hundred teachers of the highest scholastic rating, careful-y selected from the best institutes the country, accomplished a irection of Dean Fisher.

CERTIFICATES when Dr. J. C. Austin, pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church, delivered the commencement address. The musical Tuesday night under the lirection of Miss Lucy E. Campell, director of music for the conress, and Prof. Theodore F. Frye Church To Ordain fifteen hundred expertly ained voices gave the city of Chicago its most unusual musical sentation. Some of the outtanding leaders attending the con-rentian were Dr. J. H. Hush of the Shady Grove Negro Baptist

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Wednesday through Saturday, will be attended by delegates and annual messengers from almost the entire nation.

The group supports five colleges, one of which is industrial and one of which offers seminary training, maintains mission stations in three foreign countries, and 62 mission-

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At the first hearing Judge Dukes appointed Wallace Harrell, Quitman attorney, as "receiver" for the church until its difficulties were solved. Harrell testified here today that as a result of further "disturbances" in the Beulah Baptist church, he had ordered the church closed and the keys turned over to him.

But that didn't stop Wright's activities, it was said. Testimony

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Baptist Convention

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- (3) The Southern Baptist Convention must share equally with the National Baptist Convention in the financial and moral support and operation of the seminary.
- (4) All the property and permanent assets of the seminary must be vested in a Holding Board of twelve members-eight of them representative of the Southern Baptist Convention and four f them representatives of the National Baptist Convention.
- (5) All the operational features of the seminary and everything pertaining to its life, work, teaching, government and character-all these features must be under the direction of the Board of Directors of the Seminary, composed of twenty-four representatives of the National Baptist Convention and twelve members of the Southern Baptist Convention.
- a board of commissioners in Nashville, Tennessee, in easy access to and \$90,000 for a new dormitory—and we will still have no sort of tion to require equal wages and treatment by emthe seminary, who will be the fiscal agency of the Southern Bap- a chapel for the seminary. tist Convention in all its dealings with the seminary—purchasing all the grounds of the seminary; erecting and caring for all the buildings of the seminary; soliciting, receiving and paying out all the funds which Southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which Southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which Southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary; and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary and further the funds which southern Baptists give for the seminary and further the funds which so the funds whic nishing Southern Baptists with full information about the work and the needs of the seminary.

made up of leading Negro Baptists on the one hand, and leading Johnson. D. D. Southern Baptists on the other hand. They were not all worked climaxed a bitter fight between two letters from certain trustees out at once but from time to time from 1914 to 1928 certain factions in the Negro ices had been ended as of April

Who were the honored leaders among Southern Baptists who by the end of the week, Special all church property including keys worked out these agreements? They were as follows: Drs. E. Y. vesterday. The report will carry Mullins, J. B. Gambrell, A. J. Barton, Benjamin Cox, J. M. Frost, his recommendations on which he George W. McDaniel, J. J. Bennett, R. W. Weaver, A. U. Boone, I. J. Van Ness, O. L. Hailey, and General W. E. Atkinson of Arkansas. These men composed the committee for the establishment election held last week. of this Negro seminary and gave the best that was in them to plan-sav in whether to declare the pulning for its future. These were the men who worked out these six pit vacant. agreements and secured their approval by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Have Southern Baptists Fulfilled All These Agreements

Yes and no. They have more than fulfilled all their obligations that the church is "dying spiritual-ting both in membership and ficept the second one, dealing with the buildings for this seminary ly and financially" under his lead-nances. except the second one, dealing with the buildings for this seminary. ly and financially under his lead-nances. Judge To illustrate, we have more than paid our one-half of the operating will show it is in better condition date for an election to decide expenses of the seminary. We have also raised four-fifths of all the Student Aid and Scholarship funds. Also we have bought all the necessary grounds for the seminary and, in addition, have bought members will join other churches condition that the spirit of the 87 acres for our truck and dairy farm. But up to last year (1945) we had built only one building for this seminary—Griggs Hall, accept the pastorship, he said he said he said he said he church State Baptist Convention here recosting us \$75,000. In the fall of 1945, however, we built a small without compensation whatever to put out a former pastor, Dr. A. the white Asbury Memorial Methconfectionary and bookstore, costing about \$4,000. About the same until time in 1945, we began to build the J. B. Lawrence Administra- for tion Building which will cost us \$90,000, and a central heating plant which will cost \$45,000.

When the J. B. Lawrence Administration Building has been comleted, 125 students can be cared for comfortably; whereas 145 ave already made application to enter the seminary in the fall of 10 Southern, Reali 946. That is to say, we must turn away at least 20 students and to other spiritual influence nost likely 50 students next October (1946) when the seminary

We are also in desperate need of a new library building; and nother dormitory building for another 100 students. We have flock. he plans for the new library building and half the money; but where alities. Thurs. 11-21-46 is that other \$35,000 needed for this new library? And we have not one cent for the new dormitory. What are we going to do with the students coming to this seminary? Send them back home? has just given unanimous approval to a federal anti-Not if we can help it! We will see if we can rent a boarding hall lynching law, and unanimous condemnation to segresomewhere over in the city and let them come on to the classes. (6) The Southern Baptist Convention must agree to maintain Meantime, we need \$35,000 more for that new library building

A small majority of members come to support a new church. of Sharon Baptist Church, who sometime to remove Dr. John-voted in an election ordered held to whom the church began April and who have the courage of their consciences. Who Worked Out These Agreements?

These agreements were worked out by a Joint-Commission, for the past 23 years, Rev. R. H. a small vote (about 50 persons), for the past 23 years, Rev. R. H. it was learned. 15 when a motion, made at a regt was learned.

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of the South than is the Baptist Church. It has large and rich congregations in the cities. in the broad lands between there is hardly a village where a Baptist pastor does not come to his little So, the Baptist Church, is very close to re-

Thus what the North Carolina State Baptist Convention has to say on the subject of race relationships is of deep significance. And the convention gation of the races in the church. It advocated equal hospitalization, education and suffrage for Negroes and whites. It endorsed State and national legislaployers. In one sweeping move it has affirmed that the Baptist conception of a brotherhood

No one can brush this aside as the work of Yankee meddlers. No one can pretend that it is the dangerous doctrine of Communist agitators. It is action which came out of the soul-searching of sincere and realistic men who know their people, rich and poor,

"If there is an equality of all men by virtue of their relationship to an impartial Creator," reads the convention's resolution, "and an equality of all believers who share in the redemption of CHRIST, such The pastor told of receiving later equalities must be respected in the body of Christ, which is the Church.

"Therefore, segregation of believers holding the same tenets of faith because of color or Commissioner Hill Montague said before May 15. He said by status into racial or class churches is a denial of before May 15. He said he wanted New Testament affirmation of the equality of believers at the foot of the cross, and alien to the spirit of CHRIST, the head of the Church."

If the Southern Baptist Convention has its rec in New England, its trunk springs from pre-secession South. For on the issue of secession the Baptist Church divided, and the claims of TALMADGES on May 15 an injunction assuring Bilbos to Southern tradition are rather weak in comparison with those of the Southern Baptist Convention. Therefore we see in North Carolina prejudices Church officials filed an answer and intolerances cast off. We see the Baptist Church pects are concerned," and the word and cross-bill alleging that the emerge in leadership toward equality of opportunity

> Judge Gunn set July 15 as the whether the congregation wished

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SAVANNAH, Nov. 25-Follow- 9 Dr. Johnson said there was a ing a precedent set at the Georgia presence is bought and paid S. Thomas, on a similar charge, odist Church Sunday afternoon fea-Dr. Johnson, who for 26 and one-and Dr. Thomas, who took over in tured an address by a Negro colhalf years has been a teacher of 1895, remained there until he re-lege president who occupied the

Announcement that Dr. Owens earnings on the altar of sacrifice," Baptist churches in 17 States, and members of his official staff it was pointed out. "Had such a Hawaii and Canada had with the enthusiastic backing situation faced most of these men of the Baptist ministry and laity 3 or 4 years ago, they would not IND. CHURCH LEFT EVANSVILLE, Ind. of the Baptist ministry and laity 3 or 4 years ago, they would not IND. CHURCH Level alike, met the required down have been able to do much for EVANSVILLE, Inc. given impetus to the campaign prosperous times some of the lead-the age of 99, left spring and summer months of practicing economy and the gospel nearly one-third. this year the campaign is expected of saving for the rainy day." to reach its full proportion, with The reponsibility of provide people in all sections of Tenn- ing religious training for the essee contributing to the maximum people, whether at church or in of their financial efforts 4 4 the classroom, belongs to the minIn an interview with President isters Dr. Owen commented. Owen, the Memphis World was in- All ministers do not feel the formed that the initial payment responsibility as evidenced by the was made possible when the Con fact that some ministers never in
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Planters Tith Guaranty Company a check for \$50,000 as the first pay ment.

The Tennessee Baptist M. and E. Convention is purchasing the payment into an educational center that will serve the character of the ministers met the character of the council of Churches of Christ and mortant months to the pected to be given to religious amidst their livalty for which are not now offered the they were able to place themselves American Baptist Association, Announcement that Dr. Owens earnings on the altar of sacrifice," Baptist churches in 17 States,

making to train ministers, christ- ing, erupted again this week, ing Rev. Horace and the children who with principals in the contract of the children who with principals in the contract of the children who with principals in the contract of the children who with principals in the contract of the children who with principals in the contract of the children who with principals in the contract of the children who with principals in the contract of the children who will be contracted to the children who will be contracted to the children who will be contracted to the children who will be children who will be contracted to the children who will be contracted to the children who will be children who will be contracted to the children who will be children will be children who will b

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Judge McKinlay told the dis putants that the case was too im portant for him to hand down as a decision at present, that he wanted to be fair to all concerned and the would not take snap judge of the ment in the matter ment in the matter.

He then referred the matter to a master in chancery to be agreed to the matter to

As court adjourned many of them Z Baptist leaders present spiked the rumor that the controversy over formation of the new Illinois Baptist convention and publication of the Messenger, Inc., would cause Chicago Baptists to with the hold support of the National Sunday School and BYPU Congress 2 which meets in Chicago in June.

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THE BAPTISTS WENT TO COURT



Ranking officials of the General Baptist State Convention of Il-linois get together with their attorney. Houston Hall, to map out strategy in the court hearing Monday before Judge Donald Mc-Kinlay. They sought an injunction to prevent a rival conference, the Baptist State Convertion of Illinois from publishing the Illines Baptist Messenger Inc. hoto shows, left to right, Rev. M. D. Dickson of Peoria. II., recording secretary for the convention; Attorney Hall and Rev. J. L. Horace, president of the convention and pastor of Monumental Baptist Church.



Magdalene DeAcklen, secretary of the Illinois Baptist Messenger, Inc., and Rev. C. V. Johnson, editor of the paper, examine Friendship Baptist Church this University also made use of the the first edition of the Messerger, Inc., publication of which led week marked its 84th anniversary to the injunction suit now being heard before Judge McKinlay, of service to Negro and white was founder of the church, and people of this city.

The interracial Morehouse College and Atlanta the first edition of the Messerger, Inc., publication of which led week marked its 84th anniversary the church facilities at the time of their establishment. Reverend Quarles was founder of the church, and people of this city.

RALPH McGILL

The Baptists
Speak on Prejudice

Meeting in Augusta, Ga., the Georgia Baptist Sunday School Convention last Thursday adopted what news reporters described as a

"vigorously-worded resolution." It dealt with those who stir up racial and religious prejudices "in our State or anywhere in the world." It read as follows:

"We, the Georgia Baptist Sunday School Convention, in session "We, the Georgia Baptist Sunday School Convention, in session in Augusta, Ga., wish to reaffirm our faith in the teachings of the Bible and to restate our conviction in the fact that the teachings of Jesus Christ should and must be applied to all the area of human society, whether the area be social, economic, political, moral, or religious, if we are to build a greater Christian civilization.

"We furthermore wish to state our belief in the fact that Jesus taught and practiced principles of brotherhood and that all human beings regardless of race color or religion, have equal rights and

beings, regardless of race, color or religion, have equal rights and responsibilities before God and man;

"And that, therefore, we deplore any effort on the part of any group to stir up racial or religious prejudice in our State or anywhere in the world.'

This represents the thought of the responsible Baptists of the State, who number about 1,000,000 in a population of about 3,500,000.

It is a resolution which must be commended in its entirety by those who profess the Christian faith, regardless of what sect they

It goes to the roots of the problem. It does not advocate social equality, the bugaboo of the demagogues. We do not have social equality anywhere. It cannot be legislated. It advocates merely eqaulity of opportunity.

We will not know until the State election. But it is just Ballot possible, looking back through the past few years, that this State has come of age.

It is no longer possible to frighten the people with false propaganda. They do not scare as easily as of yore.

More and more of the people are seeing that those who cry "nigger! nigger!" have no other issue and thus seek to do just what the Baptist resolution deplores-stir up prejudices for the sake of

It is interesting, too, to observe the comments over the State with regard to the Negro vote in those sections where they have participated. In not a single instance have they voted in any number on the side of bad government or in behalf of racketeers. They have voted each time with the reform, or so-called "better elements."

A lot of persons are beginning to see, too, that those who are pushing racial prejudice the most are certainly not representative of good government now or any time in their careers. They always have stood with gangsterism, with the worst sort of corrupt machine politics. Their position becomes the more obvious when this fact is kept in mind.

So, it is quite possible the Baptist Sunday School Convention is expressing the thinking of about 1,000,000 persons and perhaps an approximate quarter of a million or more votes when they set themselves on the side of good government and against those who falsely deal in prejudices.

emerged from the interracial First Baptist Church of Atlanta, and spent its first years in a railway

Spelman College for women was organized and operated on the lower floor of Friendship Church when it was located at Haynes and Markham sts., one block from its

Organized in 1862, the church Holbrook Jackson.

South Offers Most, Negro Meet Told

C. C. Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, at Durham, N. C., Friday night told the National Negro Baptist Convention that the financial opportunity of the Negro is in the South.

The speaker said most of the Negro-owned insurance companies are located here. He quoted Booker T. Washington's Atlanta speech of 51 years ago, and said, "Let down your buckets where you are."

Friday night was devoted to memorializing Booker T. Wash-

S. J. Phillips, of Alabama, directed an industrial skit depicting trades taught at Tuskegee

Gathering in Windy City Largely ended; Representatives From Many

42nd Annual Session

National Sunday School and BYPU Congress Holds Successful Meet The Congress Song and the Met-



oka and Galeda Song were two hit songs throughout the week. They were sung by the chorus, played by the bands and then sung by the mass of people that completely filled the auditorium and main galleries and then the overflow, into the annex and other rooms. This departmentalized movement

specializes in the technique of respecializes in the technique of re-ligious teaching and training all the way through the church life, from the Cradle' Roll through to the Heme Department. Men and women are in charge who have wrought well, served long and made their contribution to this arm of the National Baptist Convention of America, as this is termed their Annual Religious Educa-

Sunday School and Baptist Training dent of the State Convention ofday of this week.

Union Congress, convening in Chiicago, June 17 to 23, is appealing
to presidents, superintendents and
delegates to fill registration blanks
before leaving home and file them
immediately on arrival in Chicago
at the registration desk to avoid
congestion.

CHICAGO, Ill.—(Special)—The Boyd with two girls and two boys
young people making up the Forheaded the parade. He were the wife of Rev. Johnson reviewed the Stressing the importance of unity, Rev. Johnson reviewed the progress made by the association and during the four years he has servprogress made by the association during the four years he has servprogress made by the association during the four years he has servprogress made by the association during the four years he has servprogress made by the association during the four years he has servprogress made by the association and service of this famous South. Also heard was Mrs. Mary D.

Side. The parade was made up in Johnson, president of the women's divisions and sections. Secretary
auxiliary of the association and young people making up the Forheaded the parade. He were the wife of Rev. Johnson, who urged young people making up the Forheaded the parade. He wore the wife of Rev. Johnson, who urged ty-second annual session of the celebrated Congress cap. Follow the full cooperation of her organism him was the nationally-known attion with the parent body.

Sunday School Congress are here sunday School Congress band that in this city to carry out a well-has attended this movement for planned program that makes it amany years. They hail from Nash-summer School of Methods. They ville, and most of them are emmond, executive secretary of the began to arrive here as early asployed at the National Baptist association, who announced that Monday morning, June 3, in order Publishing Board's plant.

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body of this organization. LARGE AUDIENCE AT OPENING

big Pre-Congress Concert was held on Tuesday night, with Prof. H. B. P. Johnson, the na-tional chorister, directing the sing-ing. They specialize in music written, arranged, composed, corre-lated, printed, bound and published by members of the race. Professor Johnson was assisted in his Pre-Congress Chorus program by much the local talent of this city.

Association President in Annual Address at Local Convention

The annual president's address tion Week with the School of Methods, where they illustrate, by the Rev. Harvey N. Johnson of demonstrate and teach by object Portsmouth highlighted last evelessons, the Bible itself, which is the main text book for the whole week.

A GALA OPENING

Churches which opened Tuesday Chicago's welcome was profuse. Churches, which opened Tuesday The opening night was profuse. Churches, which opened tacstay

BAPTIST LEADER—Rev. H. T. Sims over by the Rev. J. H. L. Smith, church, to continue through Satur
Wichite, Kan., secretary of National D.D., the entertaining pastor, presi-

School, BYPU and other groups an organization. Every day has president of Virginia Union Uniwers practically chaperoned by been a busy day, and will conversity, will highlight today's sestionated by been a busy day, and will conversity, will highlight today's sestion of An address by Drive An address by D

Preachers and laymen from throughout Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, West Virginia and the District of Columbia are attending the convention.

TORNADO SUFFERERS
Editor, The Advertiser: Lawletism

The colored population of Montgomery, nong whom are many thousands of subribers and readers of Grandma Advertiser, as so often turned to your paper for help and kindly advice that the writer of this leter feels that he, too, may now address you.

So much has happened since the terrible more definition of Montgomery, and the colored population of Montgomery, and the groups also approved of a plan to construct a modern office building in Raleigh to house the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices now are located on Shaw Universal with the growing headquarters of the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices now are located on Shaw Universal with the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices now are located on Shaw Universal with the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices have the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices have the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices have the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices have the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices have the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices have the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. The offices have the growing headquarters of Negro Bapists in this State. a nong whom are many thousands of sub-scribers and readers of Grandma Advertiser, has so often turned to your paper for help and kindly advice that the writer of this letter feels that he, too, may now address you.

tornado which swept over Montgomery on time. J. H. Hawkins of Durham Feb. 12, 1945, that the general public may was reelected president of the BTU have almost forgotten it; but we, who were and Mrs. Thomas Kilgore of Raleigh actual sufferers, cannot forget it. For that was renamed secretary, both for the day our modest church, the Bell Street Bap- tourth time. tist Church, just over the bridge, was totally

bers and myself, I am proud to state that of Jesus Christ is social in its ap-we have now completed a new church build-plication, as well as spiritual in ing on the corner of Oak and Robinson its reaching, and becomes real and a Streets, where we are holding regular serv- effective only as applied to and ices with an increase of over fifty members lived-out in the actual existence of added to the rolls. We have a ten-year mort- man. . . gage which we can take care of, but an ac- asked to use his influence to repeal cumulation of small bills for materials, the segregation laws.

amounting to \$900, confronts us.

On Wednesday, June 5, we are sponsoring Roger Young, Shaw University pro-

a musical program at the City Auditorium, fessor, on her refusal recently to # # which will feature several well-known choirs, recognize the segregation laws on which will feature several well-known choirs, recognize the segregation laws on which will feature several well-known choirs, recognize the segregation laws on which will feature several well-known choirs, recognize the segregation laws on which will feature several well-known choirs, recognize the segregation laws on which will feature several well-known choirs, recognize the segregation laws on the control of the segregation laws on the control of the control of the segregation laws on the control of the segregation laws on the control of the segregation laws on the segregation laws of the and quartets and to which we respectfully buses. She was convicted in Nash and cordially invite the white people of County and has appealed this case, Montgomery and vicinity, who enjoy col- as well as another involving ored spirituals. We hope the receipts from this concert will be considerable. A special section will be set aside for our white friends and patrons.

If you, sir, feel that this cause is worthy lynchers, and also praised President of the pro-

of the valuable space in your paper which Truman for his support of the prothis letter will take up. I assure you that my posed Federal anti-lynch law, which so the congregation will be deeply grateful. has had a stormy and unsuccessful

Respectfully yours, V. L. LEWIS. 750 S. Union St. Bell St. Baptist Church. Minister.

Greenville, Aug. 10.—Resolutions protesting this State's race segregation laws, and others condemning the recent lynching of four Negroes in Georgia, were passed unanimously here Thursday night as the joint session of the State Negro Sunday School and Baptist Training

Baptists in North Carolina.

sity's campus there.

A financial report showed an enormous gain in this department last year. Over twice as much money has flowed into the treasury, it was reported.

All officers of both organizations were reelected. They were: State Sunday School group, E. M. Butler of Wilmington, president; and the Rev. S. F. Daly of Raleigh, secretary, both renamed for the sixth

Religious Issue.

destroyed, leaving its 400 members without a church home. Mentagement of the members without a church home. Through the combined efforts of the members groups declared that "the gospel groups declared that "the groups declared that "t Governor Cherry was

eareer in Congress in recent years.
Also endorsed were:

A movement to get all qualified

A movement to get all qualified Negroes to vote this fall and to cooperate with "such labor unions 2 as in their respective localities seem AoS to offer the best opportunity for the full membership, participation and of development.

More participation by Negroes in business affairs of their communities, including establishment of Negroes and pure stores credit unions and pure 2000. gro stores, credit unions and pur-

Ask Repeal of Segregation 25 000 Nenro

Atlanta's Negro Baptists Wed-Union conventions closed their annesday were playing host to close to 25,000 delegates to the National meeting.

The two organizations, said their Baptist Convention, which opened leaders, représent 275,000 Negro Wednesday morning and will wind to the said their Baptist Convention, which opened to the said their Baptist Convention which can be said their Baptist Convention which opened the said up its business Sunday.

Meanwhile, Atlanta's Negro HMOND, Va.—(ANP)—White year, had to stretch a bit to propopulation is straining to care for Baptists called for greater respect vide everyone a place to sleep and the visitors, seeing that all aretoward Negro women at the General Communication meeting which "They're coming four deep and fed and housed. Church women eral Association meeting which "They're coming four deep and year, are feeding many of the delegates closed here Nov. 8, and recomtwo on a horse," said one minister Dr. at the churches, since the res-mended that hereafter an unmar- whose membership was throwing the entire slate of incumbent offi- ward of \$5,000 for the arrest and taurants can't serve all who want ried Negro woman be called "Miss" up extra beds and putting pallets cials were reelected Wednesday.

A pre-convention feature was of white men shall be tipped to itors. the presentation of a thousand-them hereafter, too, the Baptists voice chorus at the auditorium respect was introduced by the Rev. getting the presentation of a thousand-them hereafter, too, the Baptists ruled. The resolution for greater respect was introduced by the Rev. getting the presentation of a thousand-them hereafter, too, the Baptists ruled. Tuesday evening. An anthem, W. Wesley Shrader, pastor of the "Let Mount Zion Rejoice," won First Baptist Church of Lynch come anywhere near handling the housing until the convention meet was named a delegate to the an ovation for its composer, Lucy burg. Church of Lynch come anywhere near handling the housing until the convention meet was named a delegate to the World Baptist Alliance meeting in extra mouths. So the churches on ing was well spent.

Ask Ouster of Bilbo, U. S. Anti-Lynch Law

It's quite a job for Atlanta's

In the South's capital city, some 6,000 Negroes, the vanguard of 25,000 delegates who will arrive in Atlanta for the National Baptist Convention of America, Inc., last night passed a resolution calling TAKEN CARE OF for a Federal Anti-Lynch Law, Sen. Bilbo's expulsion from the Senate and the outlawing of the Ku Klux Klan.

The resolution represents the New Orleans. They're continuing Convention's first organized move to arrive. in the South to add several hundred thousand signatures to a 100,000 Negro population, caring petition to President Truman to for these 25,000 - an American call a special session of Congress Legion-sized convention - but

According to Edgar G. Brown, win. Director of the National Negro OVERFLOW CROWD Council, the purpose of the campaign is "to guarantee peace on which is meeting principally in the the home front," A total of 1,000,-

overflowed the City Auditorium delegates to reach the solution of they won't place an estimate on the convention will attend to last night, D. V. Johnson, of they won't place an estimate on the church business of 4,000,000 Selma, Ala., was made chairman just how high the figure may Negro Baptists of America. More overflowed the City Auditorium campaign, while Dr. A. M. Townsend, of Nashville, Tenn., Chair- that Atlanta is a center of a tre-sented by delegates. man of the National Baptist Pub- mendous Negro Baptist population lication Board, made the initial and thousands of churchmen are contribution to a petition fund.

RELY ON VOTING POWER

will rely on their voting strength population's biggest single convento gain support in the Senate to tion in history.

refuse to administer Bilbo the One thing which makes the The next annual session of the on grounds of "disorderly be- are only a few rooming-house sized Klux Klan and causing racial ten- vate homes. sion already has been collected. ALL HOUSED

would provide the death penalty every delegate is being housed. urged support of the National Fra-for lynchers and up to \$100,000 Negro college dormitories are betternal Council of Negro Churches damages to be paid the victim's ing thrown open. Nearly every in its membership drive and apfamily by the county in which a home, irrespective of denomination proved support for the United Nelynching took place, Brown extion, has one, two, three, four or gro Veterans and Allied Veterans five guests.

But still they come. The Rev.

By automobile, bus, train and plane, Negro Baptists from through- W. M. Jackson, pastor of Mt. Zion out the United States and from Second Baptist Church, couldn't foreign countries streamed into the spare a moment to discuss the concity, while the local Negro popu- vention when contacted by telelation frantically tackled the job phone. of housing them.

A jam-loaded train arrived Mon-milling around me, waiting to be day night from New York, another assigned a home," he said. "I'm tled in Tuesday morning from sorry, I can't talk now.'

and a married woman "Mrs." Hats on the floors to care for the vis-

getting somewhere to sleep. Au rush and press of the throngs, some Auburn Avenue and in the Negro

lem, but it is being licked. Street defense of his country, Dr. Jemison car passes them up, they report.

in a private vehicle.

"The hospitality here is tre-New York. "The people, in all phases of life and of all denominathe occasion.

So the convention is shaping up Municipal Auditorium, but over-000 signatures for the petition is flowing into most of the large expected, he said.

At the welcome meeting which expect the official registration of the large from then on, day and night, delegates to reach the 25,000 mark, through Sunday.

"The reason," they explain, "is than 40,000 churches are repre-

mendous Negro Baptist population and thousands of churchmen are expected to drop in at one time or another on their own." Brown explained Negro Baptists It's perhaps the Atlanta Negro Are Doing

BY MATTIE B. ROWE

oath of office this January. His housing situation acute is a lack Nation Baptist Convention, Inc., is expulsion would be accomplished of Negro hotels in the city. There to be held in Kansas City, Mo., Nashville, attorneys, on grounds of disorderly be- are only a few rooming-nouse sized while the next session of the Na- Atlanta, Ga. Journal ing his open advocacy of the Ku delegates must be sheltered in pri- tional Sunday-School and B. T. U.

> gro Veterans and Allied Veterans of America. The body went on record as endorsing the Booker T. Negro Baptists meeting here D. V. Jemson of Selma, Ala.,

"Five hundred delegates are sets of the convention and all its ment Practice bill.

us Barbour, editor, Bap-sized these points

Upwards of 20,000 Baptist taxed lynchers of four Negroes. Atlanta's convention hospitality and

Dr. Jemison's message, read to Copenhagen next year. section have converted unused the convention by the Rev. J. C. space into restaurants and the Washington, of Alabama, challenged church women are doing a fine America and the world to fairer Negroes Seek Ouster treatment of the Negro.

cars traversing the Negro sections laid down a platform of race relaare coming in loaded to the guntions expressing what the Negro K. K. Legislation whales and already delegates are "stands for and what we believe having to wait as long as an hour to be right, just and fair for our ATLANTA, Sept. 4-(P)-

not have to suffer mob violence.
"We plead for the abolition of the Sponsors of the resolution said it

itself which does not use a ballot," accomplish these ends.

Boone and Dr. T. S. Harten, Brook- front. lyn; Dr. W. D. Carter, Pasadena, Brown explained that Negro Baptary; Revs. T. Moore King, Joliet, of office next January. Ill.; G. W. Lucas, Dayton, Ohio; U. At last night's welcome meeting tant secretaries; the Rev. W. P. man of the convention's nationwide Offutt, Louisville, secretary of pub- campaign. Walden, Atlanta, and C. L. Ennis, pected.

The Federal Anti-Lynch Law But thus far, an official said, rould provide the death penalty every delegate is being housed. Congress will be held in Los Angeles, Burmungham, ala Negroes Battle The recently closed convention Negroes Battle

Washington Birthplace Memorial. Thursday had gone on record as president and indersed his plat-Reports of officials of the con-favoring abolition of the Jim Crow form, which asked:

ention showed continued growth

1. Equal right for Negroes in vention showed continued growth system and the poll tax and urg-courts. of the body under the leadership ing passage of the federal antiof D. V. Jemison, president. J. B. ing passage of the federal anti2. A Blayton, auditor, reported total as-lynch bill and the Fair Employ- antilynching bill and the Fair Em-

departments amounted to \$1,513,— In his presidential address, Dr. measure. 358.96. Lun. 9-15-41 D. V. Jemison, of Selma, empha-

ficial organ of the con-pleaded for equal rights in the named a delegate to courts, equal opportunity for eduptist alliance meeting cation and for the vote. His adr. Denmark, next dress was endorsed by the con-

conviction of the Walton County

Eating is as much a problem as in many instances because of the throngs some the Rev. J. Pius Barbour, editor burn Avenue's restaurants can't were denied accommodations of the National Baptist Voice.

Transportation to and from the homes presents still another prob- American Negro's loyalty to and Of Bilbo, Anti-Lynch,

for a ride to town, as car after group." The platform declared: olution calling for a federal anti-"We do not desire, when a Negro lynch law, ouster of Sen. Bilbo (D., has committed a crime, that he be Miss.) from the U.S. Senate, and But the Negro population is shielded or harbored by members outlaying of the Ku Klux Klan was meeting this situation by assign- of his race. We want, when a Ne- adopted here last night at a meeting its automobiles to taxi duty, gro has committed a crime, that ing of several thousand Negroes. Thirty-five cents will take a dele- he be given a fair trial before an comprising the vanguard of delegate to the convention site or back unprejudiced, interracial jury, and gates arriving for the National Bap-O

for accomplishment of these ends. they're tackling it with a will to mendous," said a delegate from "Was a system of public carriers. represented the convention's first "We plead for full recognition of organized move in the South to add Negro women: Surv. 9-15-46 thousands of signatures to a peti"We want to vote, for the reason tion to President Truman asking a While officials of the convention, the agencien " that no race or nation can protect for a special session of Congress to

> According to Edgar G. Brown, di-PRINCIPAL OFFICERS for the rector of the National Negro Counnext year are: Dr. D. V. Jemsion, cil, the purpose of the campaign is Selma, Ala., president; Dr. A. L. "to guarantee peace on the home

Calif.; and Dr. E. W. Perry, Oklatists would rely on their voting homa City, vice president at large; strength to gain support in the Dr. J. M. Nabrit, Memphis, secre- Senate for denying Bilbo the oath

Robinson, Mobile, Ala., and W. in the city auditorium, D. V. John-P. Whitfield, Jackson, Miss., assis- son, Selma, Ala., was made chair-

licity; the Rev. Roland Smith, At- The convention here will attend lanta, statistician; Dr. T. S. Boone. to the church business of 4,000,000 Detroit histographer; Dr. B. J. Negro Baptists of America. Ap-Perkins, Cleveland, treasurer; A. T. proximately 25,000 delegates are ex-

Atlanta, Sept. 7 (A)—The 66th

annual session of the National Baptist Convention, a Negro organization, today elected the Rev.

2. Adoption by Congress of the ployment Practice Commission

3. Abolition of the poll tax 4. Equal educational opportuni-

The Baptists Make Us Proud of legislation requiring premarital physi-

cal examinations, and also produced after debate a strongly worded resolution condemning intolerance, racial discrimination and the various hate organizations now in unusual happened here Tuesday session. Dr. O. P. Gilbert, editor of

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"That we hereby proclaim, if necessary, cedent-breaking move, voted Tues-hospitalization, education, and our traditional stand that every man has the same right to participate in the blessings of our American way of life, and that no man shall be discriminated against because of race, creed, or color."

This forthright action on two such controversial questions is indeed commendable.

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Christian Index, organ of the state SAVANNAH, Ga.—(SNS) —The convention, advocating such a joint session. Dr. O. P. Gilbert, editor of

The Georgia Baptist Convention, Baptists Rescind Vote o End Segregation Louisville, And

less advanced state get married and move Earlier in the session, Dr. Louie Baptist convention, which had unanimously passed a "Boy Dee" Robinson, Savannah songtoward inevitable tragedy and sorrow. D. Newton, Atlanta, the Southern Baptist Convention, segregation in the church, backtracked today and removed garet Fuller. The feature captivated to the welcoming program and "stolegical states are not go-

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Other speakers included: Drs. J.in the resolutions relative to seg-Nashville: Roland Smith. Atlanta; "any doctrine of racial superior-lev. N. T. Young, Augusta; Dr. B. ity, whether it be the Nazi con-E. Mays, Atlanta Manda, Sa. ception of Nordic supremacy, the Dr. N. E. Holsey, host pastor, Samurai conception of manifest

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The motion was made by the Negro Baptists of Georgia solicited dered to pay \$5,000 of the amount, program at tonight's session will be Rev. Fred Smith, of Bremen, who support today from other denomi-with the balance being levied the address of President B. E. Mays, stated: "We could hear them sing nations and races for special pray against the chirch and officers. president of Morenouse Conlege, he and have sentiment from our owners during the inauguration of Judge Bartlett took under sub-lanta, member of many prominent convention and theirs in Christian Gov.-Elect Eugene Talmadge who Brewer and Mr. Fisher be rein-of the National Committee on Interstated: "We could hear them sing nations and races for special pray-against the church and officers. And the fact that it was taken by dele- of Athens, retiring president of the supremacy."

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NEGRO RAPTISTS IN HUGE CONVENTION

THOUSANDS ATTEND: PA RADE WILL BE A FEA-TURE TODAY

BY J. G. LEMON

At the historic First Bryan Baptist Church today nearly a thousand = ministers and state church a augmented by more than -4.000 lay delegates, began a three days' celebration of the diamond ? jubilee observance of the State Bantist Convention. The pre-convention welcome program last night was highlighted by a chorus of 200 voices under direction of Prof. Asheville, N. C., Nov. 21 (AP) — The North Carolina Glover. Solos were rendered by Mrs.

> The big parade of prominent figthis city

The resolution was offered by Dr. Approximately 1,000 automobiles hold office in the council, an inter Auditorium. A special rally for Bryed dead by Dr. W. F. Paschal, At- The convention, however, per-denominational Protestant body. ant Theological Seminary at Fitzger- alanta. WO AWarded slonaries are trained, will be held at the auditorium. The rally is \$50,000, and it is expected this sum will be easily subscribed. The big feature of the auditorium session will be the address and report to the convention by Dr. L. A. Pinks- \$ ton, president of the general mission-

Following the big rally, and also at Church; Negro Baptists at First, The convention also retained perior Judge Alfred L. Bartlett's Pastor's and Laymen's Rally and here Friday awarded the Conference will be held with Rev. L. A. L. Brewer and E. W. M. Terrill, former pastor of First A Fisher, former members of Second Bryan, leading the meeting. Presi-Baptist Church, \$14,000 damages dent Pinkston will be presented to for libel and slander, against the the big audience by Hon. Walter S. insurance James H. Hilton and R. A. Hud-Augusta, and a leading Baptist layson, pastor, chairman of the board, man of the state. Reports of auxil-

nd secretary, respectively, at Sec-laries of the state convention will be and Baptist. 32.28.4 heard at this session.

The Rev. Mr. Henderson was or- Cutstanding on the auditorium

Henderson, Hornsby,

The Georgia Missionary Convenion annually makes large contribuion for college training of the negro youth of Georgia, and the Bryant Theological Seminary at Fitzgerald, and missionaries per year.

It was announced that there are nore than 550,000 colored Baptists in communicants of 1,700

Rev. N. E. Holsey, pastor of Bryan Baptist Church, is host pastor, and Dr. M. P. Sessoms is chairman of the finance committee. The convention adjourns Thursday night.

last week, when Negro and "with all our force or be guilty of The Macon minister withdrew his white delegates to state Day

joint meeting with Negroes at Rae after four and a half years' The convention voted to hold its Municipal auditorium. They oc-serviec as chaplain.

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dions to Morehouse College (Dr. B. Georgia Baptists Deplore Mays, president), Atlanta institu-Georgia Baptists Deplore

where negro Baptist ministers are rained at the rate of 150 ministers Race Superiority Teachings

Pastor of McRae Church Leads Fight For Race Resolution

By JOHN HURT

cific forced the Georgia Baptist med a bit" by the commission. Convention to deplore any teaching Dr. J. Seaborn Winn, pastor of of "race superiority" and declare Cherokee Heights at Macon, fought the theory "neither American nor Rabun's amendment, describing it Christian."

The lynching of four Negroes last being "to excite controversy." summer in Walton county also Winn had described himself as Re-echoed through the convention hall "not an enemy of the Negro" but ligion in Georgia took on a late yesterday with a statement "we "one of the old Southern school long needed brotherly tone must denounce" racial intolerance who believes in white supremacy."

tist conventions here, held a jobatcalled "teeth" into the social ser-described the "preaching" of "hate" good-will meeting between regulated commission's report was the groups as "neither American nor lar sessions. Sat. 11-23-46 Rev. Joseph A. Rabun who recent-Christian" instead of the groups The white Baptists, 500 strong, ly went to the pastorate at Mc-themselves.

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Georgia be urged to apply the print Plaintiffs in the action were vious positions, in addition to

to allay the growing race tensions so spotlighted by the lynchings in Georgia and the recent Columbians, Inc., disturbances in Atlanta."

. Answering Rabun's appeal for a "stronger" resolution, Dr. J. L. Bag-SAVANNAH, Ga., Nov. 14 (AP)-A gott of College Park, commission small-town minister who served as chairman, said his draft originally chaplain with Marines in the Pa-"had more teeth" but "it was trim-

as "not needed" with its only value

white delegates to state Bap- The minister who forced what he change his original draft so that it

1947 session in Atlanta with the cupied a special section in the He said he was fighting in Geor-First Baptist church as host. The balcony. Earlier 400 Negroes paraded through the streets, cele-gia any teaching of "race hatred" church's pastor, Dr. James W. Midbrating the liberal attitude shown just as he had overseas.

After praising the spirit of good will making the session possible, a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church," said Ra-Rev. Leander A. Pinkston, head of bun after reference to him as the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good a member of my church, and the praising the spirit of good and the good and th the Negro group, yielded the gavel pastor of Eugene Talmadge, elected to Dr. Frederick E. Smith, head governor on a platform calling for Tanted in Second Ban

Thomas L. Griffith, Jr., attorney for the Rev. J. Ray- Brewer and Fisher were "priviwhite convention. The proposal "That all Christian people of mond Henderson and co-defendants in the Second Baptist leged", in that they were made was carried without opposition.
In calling for the session to exchange sentiment in Christian speak forth with every ounce of new trial and the date had already been set for Feb. 3. the church family. His action in Christian in Christian in excluding his members was unity, Dr. Smith pointed to an ed-energy by word, deed and thought, Should his client lose this trial, Griffith said, he will appeal itorial in the Christian Index, pub-against the so-called patriotic the decision to a higher court.

The editorial written by O. P. Gilbirth upon the soil of our Southbert, read: "Would it not meet land, which same groups are but the 1600 members of the Second Baptist church this week with the approval of all concerned land, which same groups are but the 1600 members of the Second Baptist church this week if this significant gathering of counterpart of Nazi hate groups as their pastor, suave J. Raymond Henderson, lost a libel During the process of testification. The superior with the court the Rev. A. L. Brewer, retired mony, Clarence S. Smith, former white and Negro Baptists should preaching a so-called race superior-suit and was ordered by the court the Rev. A. L. Brewer, retired mony, Clarence S. Smith, former unite . . . and celebrate more than ity, which is neither American norto pay \$10,000 exemplary and minister, and E. W. Fisher, form- member of the board of trustees, worked together with God."

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monetary damages. However, the court ruled it was not the jury's province to decide that phase of the suit. Accordingly, it is being considered by presiding judge Af fred L. Bartlett, who has promis ed a decision for later.

The letter which libeled the plaintiffs was written in 1945 and principally attacked the Rev. Alex D. Venerable, it was charged. Venerable sued, but was demurred out of court by Henderson's lawyer, the son of Second Baptist's first pastor, Thomas L. Griffith Jr.

In the action just completed, Brewer described the church meeting at which he and Fisher were expelled in October, 1945, as similar to "mob violence". Venerable, who testified for the plaintiffs, said the Rev. Henderson "turned me out like Pharoah rejected Moses".

Henderson heard himself called "dictatorial and autocratic". He was warned of the suit, Brewer said, describing a meeting at which he was refused the right to speak in defense of the Rev. Venerable.

"I told them if you won't hear \$\square\$ me here, you'll hear me uptown" Brewer said as macks, Calif

Intimations by defense aftorney Brigham Rose that she had "embroidered" minutes of the church meeting, introduced as evidence to refute Brewer's charges, were denied by church clerk Vassie D. Reese. "Nobody ever bothers me about the minutes", a she told the court. Unable to give an exact count of the vote ousting Brewer and Fisher, Mrs. Reese affirmed that a majority vote had removed them.

In his defense, Henderson claimed that his criticisms of in excluding his members was done under power invested by church rules, which, he said, are

retary, were co-defendants with contentious", and he, the Rev. Henderson, wanted a man who

Baptist Laymen Name Delegates, To World Conference in Denmark

By LUCIUS JONES

ATLANTA, Ga.—Three delegates to the World Baptist Alliance in Copenhagen, Denmark, July 29 to Aug. 3 17. were named, and all officers were moved up by the National Baptist Laymen's Convention during meetings ried on currently with the sixty-sixth annual session of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., at Ebenezer Baptist Church here, Wednesday through Sunday of last week. The changes in office were occasioned by the recent every man has the same right to death of John L. Webb of Hot Springs, Ark., president of the Baptist laymen's group and nationally known fra american way of life, and that no worship, as well as Dr. John W. ternal leader.

Delegates elected to the World Pollard, New Orleans; L. D. Keith, Baptist Alliance were J. C. McAtlanta; the Rev. Thomas Phil-Clendon of Jackson, Miss., newlips, Morgan City, La.; Walter National Baptist Laymen's Con Odom, Chicago; Prof. Theodore vention president; James E. Gayle Frye, Chicago; the Revs. U. S. Patsr, of New Orleans, La executive terson, Texas: S. M. Weaver, Texas. Sr. of New Orleans, La., executive terson, Texas; S. M. Weaver, Texsecretary, and A. J. Adams of New J. hnson, Ohio; V. W. Glanton, Ala-York City, third vice president. York City, third vice president. bama; L. R. Mitchell, Ohio; M. PIONEER FIGURES Hunter, New York; J. H. Sanders

Other officers of the convention Ohio; E. Searcy, Georgia; T. are T. J. Updack, Fort Worth, King, Pennsylvania; E. L. Harri-Tex., vice president at large; Mat-son, Washington, D. C.; W. L. Fethew Burgess, Chicago, first vice ty, Illinois; E. T. Brown, Tennes president; M. C. Harris, Dallas, see; T. W. Smith, Georgia; E. J. Tex., second vice president; Wil-Threadgill, Mississippi; J. D. Howiliam A. Ryles, Washington, D. C., ard, Missouri; P. A. Bishop, North too fourth vice president; Wendell L. Carolina, and Dr. A. L. Boone, but Johnson, Topeka, Kan., fifth vice Ohio. president; H. S. Dixon, Bainbridge, The model Sunday School was in Ga., recording secretary; M. D. Up-charge of Dr. A. M. Townsend of church, Clarksdale, Miss., assistant Nashville, director. recording secretary; J. T. Lawson, Memphis, Tenn., treasurer; A. D. Emerson, Minden, La., pianist; OUTTELL
W. C. Wethers, Memphis, music
director; Atty. Charles V. Carr,
parliamentarian; Prof. E. W. D. saac, Nashville, Tenn., statistician, and Dr. W. C. Hayes, Lake Charles,

La., national organizer. FEATURE SPEAKERS

Feature addresses of the conven-Riley, Nashville; the Rev. E. Ben-mously,

C. L. Ennix, Nashville; discus-ployment legislation.

MANY OTHERS IN LIMELIGHT

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Activity Mark Baptist Conventions

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., Nov. 20.—The State Baptist con-nose for news. Monroe, Ga.; Wendell L. Johnson, vention today adopted a resolution against segregation of aggregate of 12,000 people, were spective presidents dealing with E. J. Hill, Americus, Ga.; L. F. races in the church. Negroes in the South heretofore have great sprawling masses of human such matters as the salte of the Freeman, Mexia, Tex.; H. E. been restricted to separate church. He said no one should interpret ity, most of whom knew no more notion fell into this extension. E. J. Hill, Americus, Ga.; L. F. races in the church. Negroes in the South Reretofore have restricted to separate church. He said no one should interpret ity, most of whom knew no more such matters as the state of the said no one should interpret ity, most of whom knew no more nation fell into this category. Af- about what was going on, if any the resolution to mean that Bap, Bynes, Macon, Ga.; A. C. Touch-organizations.

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No Press Officer

L. Dinkins, the Rev. George W. Rev. Louis S. Gaines, Lexington, ATLANTA, Nov. 20.—The Georgia Back behind closed doors I am the profundition of the Rev. D. V. Jemison, and the Rev. G. Sellers, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Ralph N.C., pastor, was adopted unani-Baptist Convention, representing sure there was some activity which by purchasing a copy in pamphlet of the Rev. E. Ben-world.

The Rev. E. J. Perry, Oklahoma; The Baptists urged immediate olution condemning fascist - like there was absolutely no machinery hawked by mercenaries outside the Walden, Atlanta, and Atty. Federal anti-lynching and fair em-groups operating in the South to set up to transmit this either to auditorium. stir up race hatred and violence.

sions by J. J. Benefield, H. S. Dix-ployment legislation.

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all the press.

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Rev. Sandy Ray, New York City; olution, declared shortly after it vention, at the municipal auditoand the Rev. J. L. Campbell, Mem- was passed that it does not mean rium in Savannah. This joint meet 'we will immediately throw out ing was the first in 75 years. doors wide open for Negro mem. Chief advocate of the public con-

"I don't believe." he added. "that lynching was Rev. Joseph A. Rabun, who was in "I don't beneve, he added. that who was in the convention realized the dyna-the pastor of Eugene Talmadge's Might Concert; the Rev. Samue mite the report carried. It wouldn't church at McRae. Rev. Rabun re Pettagrue, in charge of the boys' suprise me if the convention sawcently went to the pulpit after four period; the Rev. W. H. Buckner, fit to rescind that topic of the re-years service as chaplain.

Text of the resolution follows:

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"That the people of Georgia be a urged to apply the principles of g Jesus in a serious effort 🐍 allay he growing race tensions so spotighted by the lynchings in Georgia and the recent Columbians, Inc. disturbances in Atlanta."

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Not so at either of these great conventions. Not only was there ≥ not one line set to paper of any ? kind, but there was not even a standard table provided for the reporters to collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotations in a graduation of the collect their own misquotation of the collect the collec

Confusion Rampant

Being a religious gathering, I 5 tremen- Mr. Matthews suppose the leaders felt that it was E world-shaking quite sufficient if the contents enough to be recorded in the of the speeches and reports were public prints I was unable to dis-understandable to the speakers cover it, and I pride myself on and God, but unless heaven is ₹≥ having a fairly well developed blessed with some highly pro-Both meetings, attended by an God, Himself, is confused.

592,659 white Baptists, passed a res-required a modicum of brains, but form at 25 cents a throw being the general assemblage or least of

At Columbia after a year of to glance at it within her watch-

cal or industrial rallies I have at ful eyesight. tended during the past several in both cases the ultimate in several have had a semblance of or-telligence obtained was hardly Chief advocate of the public conyears have had a semblance of ordemnation of hate-groups and ganization. Important personages
tlynching was Rev. Joseph A. Rabun, have appeared on the platform the fact that they did have a few
the pastor of Eugene Talmadge's
during the various sessions, dephrases put to paper was a rare
technical at McRae. Rev. Rabun rethe application of book had died Eigenses Prime Change

the applause or boos had died Figures Bring Snores

way, somebody officially connecpassed out mimeographed tical reports were delivered into the evaporating air of the micro-

men of the press. comfort.

could be found hatching dark and shady plots which kept going up in smoke as soon as a counterplot

World Problems Ignored

With the world dangling on the precipice of an economic and depression, the 6,000 gathered in deliberation at Columbia spent several hours debating

delegates just came along for the present.

Since they came from as far Coan Baptist Church. two-million-dollar camp meetings race relation." Everybody ought to go to heaven those price

Atlanta newspapers yes-have fellowship with you.

on the Uncle Remus stories that the Negroes had welcomed the churches, and fought against itgot the big splash. Every top hat association which they were free

in the Georgia Capital turned out to see the rs and atch Brer Rabbit wham he tar baby. The show was sponsored by the Junior League.

But the important news

Negro platform, when God will ask to become members. Fundamentally be asked in all charity "to make we are afraid'... to practise the Christangory to make we are afraid'... to practise the Christ all convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the North Carolina Bap-Make Towns the christ and convention of the Nort

score or so, at the respective con son traces their growth in develop- been needed at least as long as ventions, but most of the 12,000 ment in this State down to the I can remember. And that is since en to the work in and around the I used to go out to St. John's Baptist Church - Negro - during

west as California, as far south as Religious Herald, commended big meetings and sit in the little rexas and all other intermittent President Ellison "for a scholarly balcony reserved for whites (there points, counting transportation and and objective presentation of de-wasn't even a corner for Negroes the time lost from work, the con-sirable information." Said he, at our Pleasant Plains Baptist ventions can be aptly described as much towards fostering wholesom. Church and wonder how—just how two-million-dollar camp meetings really-we all were going to be

sifted_along the color line in the great day coming by and by? Even Savannah hasn't answered that question fully, of course, but the Baptists there have boldly put it on the agenda. I must say again how proud I am of them and of you, Dr. Smith. You are letting you nor to instruct you, but to yourselves in to be called Communists and subversionists, and terday it was the gala opening of The initiative had come from His day, without fear. He, too, all that. But so did your Master in Walt Disney's new picture based the whites, as it had to do, and despised hypocrisy in the

> to accept or reject. The fellowship have made a fine to-do over the new movie, it is you, I think, who turbing as much as a deputy sherhave made the angels sing. iff. It was, said Dr. James W.

ficant and happy occasion." head of Atlanta University's Morehouse Reported the new pastor: "He didn't Later the Negroes set a special College (for Negroes): "I would tremble agree with me, but he didn't tell me anyday of prayer for Jan. 9, inaugu- for the Christian cause if 50 Negroes agree with the data of the day of prayer for Jan. 9, inaugu- for the Christian cause if 50 Negroes thing to make me abandon my principles. ration day for Eugene Talmadge, were to enter an average local church in I realize I am in hot water, but I'm preelected this Summer on an anti-this country on a Sunday morning and pared for it."

Negro platform, when God will ask to become members. Fundamentally Much Too

stay. And along comes Savannah. lynchings in Georgia and the recent Co- too radical for North Carolina. Shame Understand, I do not attempt to lumbians Inc. disturbances in Atlanta." faced, the delegates took it all back embroider upon the "significance" Up jumped ex-Navy Chaplain Joseph A. Dr. Merritt has noted. There is in Rabun, 39, new pastor of the McRae Bapview no new dispensation under tist Church, where rabble-rousing, Goverwhich Negroes will be given much nor-elect Gene Talmadge is the leading better breaks in Georgia, nor does lay member. Shouted Pastor Rabun: Savannah mean that the Talmadge "That is not strong enough! We need to legislature will refrain from wip- condemn with all our power race hatred."

ing out primary laws in order to Visit with Gene. Goaded by Rabun, whether the present pictures of Jesus which adorn stained church windows are authentic or whether Herald, official organ of the white stantial step forward, for formerly the Savior looked like somebody Baptists of Virginia is currently the only equality the Negro had else.

The conclusions were that since of Negro Baptist Progress," by Dr. won in Georgia was at the banks there were no cameras in Jerusa-John M. Ellison, president of Virginia is currently the or before a cash register, if he had lem in those days, there is ginia Union University.

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Dr. Ellison prepared this highly any money to bank or to spend. But now, though even this may be they let the Catholics stick to the which he delivered at the Coan pictures and statues while the Church in Rappahanock County Baptist should seek God, through during the centennial meeting of intuition.

Undoubtedly there was some tion in September. Sal. 11-23-46.

Setting the beginning of the Neserious work done behind closed groes' denominational life in Americal County and 1775, Dr. Ellison prepared this highly any money to bank or to spend. But now, though even this may be a stepdown for him in the herefatter where clearly "the last shall be first," he has almost been conceded equality in Heaven. And this is a great deal.

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EX-CHAPLAIN RABUN

In hot water with a rabble rouser. which is neither American nor Christian; that we hereby proclaim . . . that no man shall be discriminated against because of race, creed or color."

Merritt, executive secretary of the Baptist Convention, white, "a significant and happy occasion."

Recial Christianity

Last week, Rabun paid a Thanksgiving

Day call on Parishioner Talmadge, who head of Atlanta University's Morehouse has long played footie with the K.K.K.

tate Negro Baptists

hurch Women Ask End Of Segregation

(By The Associated Negro Press)

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Two nation
Vide women's groups, which met in annual session recently, came GRAND RAPIDS—Mrs. David tion, and the right to vote in all the with conditions and proposals. The president states having separation laws and the president states having separation in annual session recently, came GRAND RAPIDS—Mrs. David tion, and the right to vote in all out with resolutions and proposals. Jones, wife of the president states having separation laws and pleading an end to injustices deal of Bennett College of Greens-voting restrictions."

minority groups in this countryboro, N. C., was honored by beand abroad, and asking universal of the United Council of Church disarmament as the first step to women, in their convention ward lasting peace, it was learned the losed here last Thursday.

At the biennial assembly of thewere as follows: Board members: United Council of Church Women Mrs. W. J. Gardner, Daytona Fund, who asserted that the in Grand Rapids, Mich., last Nov Beach; Mrs. Hazel Gomex, Protestant church, especially in 14, two of the resolutions of Johnson, Nashville, Tenn.; For holds of racial segregation, and cial relations adopted by the Floy Brown, St. Louis, Mo., and lynching.

Calling attention to the increas-ville, Ky.

Calling attention to the increas-ville, Ky. ing number of lynchings croping up, the council pointed out that this crime "differs from all other major crimes in that it is not only contrary to the moral and spiritual ideals of Christianity but it violates every principle of democracy and human rights by the denial of the democratic procedure of trial by jury." The group asked that all Christians "promote education in democratic and Christian principles of justice and help create a public opinion that will demand basic human rights for

A study of segregation in the church and community brought the plea that civil rights laws be enforced in states having such laws; "breaking of the pattern of segregation in the nation's capital" and interpretation and enforcement of Supreme Court rulings on transportation, education and the right to vote in all states having separation laws and voting restrictions.

Courier- Journal Louisville, Ty. Mon. 11-25- 46

Racial discrimination was a No. 1 topic last week as Negroes have in common today is sons remaining abroad until their a labor union." Fortune is wrong! resettlement, and urged that a church organizations north and south of the Mason-Dixor Some of their staff members should number of those still in camps be line put the problem of anti-Negro segregation and injustice have been in Grand Rapids last admitted to the United States; that

squarely before their members.

Gathered at Grand Rapids, Church in Town and Country, Which, for their biennial meeting, subject was up for debate also the United Council of Church at the eighth biennial convention Women turned its attention to interracial injustices in political, ference at Rockford, Ill., where social and economic life, while it precipitated a clash between Baptist state conventions in Georgia and the Carolinas Showing more concern with the and employment.

pray together are not likely to hold each other in contempt."

Racial segregation in churches was the target of sharp denunciation in a report at the Town and Country convocation submitted by its commission on minority groups. The report said, "Any church that exists in a community where there is a disadvantaged minority group and makes no move toward identifying itself with that group and toward removing these disadvantages is not a Christian church.'

Delegates to the annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention of Georgia at Savannah adopted a resolution urging application of Christian principles to allay growing race tensions highlighted by recent lynchings in the state and the activities of columpians in Atlanta.

Women Leach

resenting

The resolutions adopted by the By ANNA ARNOLD HEDGEMAN convention with only two dissent-GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. - For-ing votes included recommendatune Magazine in its November tions that the United States Govissue on labor has in it this inter-ernment take active lead in proesting sentence: "The only local in- moting measures to secure the prostitution that Southern whites and tection and care of displaced perweek where the United Council of the President be asked to grant Church Women held its biennial amnesty to conscientious objectors convention with 2,000 women rep-still in prison; that newly-elected 10,000,000 Protestant senators and representatives be approached by church women for One glance at the program indi-discussions on their stand on incates the vital fashion in which the ternational control of atomic en-United Council of Church Women ergy, real trusteeship by the United faces the responsibility for 'Op. Nations on all ex-enemy territory eration-Christian." World Church including Pacific bases; opposition — World Missions — World Order to compulsory peace-time training; warned of growing racial tensions Showing more concern with the —World Missions — World Order to compulsory peace-time training; in their areas and called for equal rights. the United Council of individuals from a committees, implement United States. in their areas and called for equal rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights, the United Council of individuals from a variety of na-implement United States participatreatment of Negroes in education rights. women Study Race Question. its kind in America, sharply conbrought information and recom-Nations (such as UNESCO, WHO, demning segregation practices in mendations for action. Mrs. Chris- etc.); that responsibility for those The existence of racialism even the nation's community life, called in church life was excoriated by for enforcement of civil-rights the national convocation of The laws in states having such laws

Resolutions also urged the support of the following principles on the control of atomic energy; freedom of exchange of scientific information and full public ownership and control of atomic energy.

At a Bishop Bell's Resignation
It is not often in the course of a life-time that a bishop elects to resign . . e highest post within the gift of his church. But that is exactly what Bishop Wm. Y. Bell did, to the consternation and total surprise of his friends last week at St. Louis, Mo., where the quadrennial sessions of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church and being held. Thur. 5-14-21

No explanation was given for the bishop's unprecedented action, except the fact that he desired to devote his time to writing. Even that is an uncommon practice which we

could hope more of our bishops would cultivate.

Bishop Bell was presiding bishop of the Georgia-Florida diocese and was Chancellor of Holsey Institute. For a number of years, prior to his elevation to the bishopric, he had served as professor at Gammon Theological Seminary and at Howard University. He has attained the heights of a great scholar, a great preacher, a great bishop. And now we wish for him a great career in the writing field, such as we know he is capable of achieving.

Dr. C. H. Phillips. Oldest Methodist

T. Washington in Boston when he organized the National Negro Business League, and with Dr. W. E. B. DuBois in New York and Brussels at meetings of the Pan-American Congress which he founded."

After his graduation from college he practiced medicine, headed the Jackson, Tenn. school which later became Lane College, filled a pastorate in Washington, D. C., and became active in church.

His career includes four trips to the British Isles and Europe, the

the British Isles and Europe, the first in 1888. In 1902 Dr. Phillips

council which convened here re-cently with the Rev. R. A. Carter, senior bishop of the church, presiding.

In his opening sermon Bishop Carter challenged the officers, presiding elders, pastors and min-ST. LOUIS—Dr. Charles Henry Phillips, 88, the oldest bishop of the Colored Methodist Church, retired this week after 44 years in the hishopric which began on a complete their right to the people's confidence and support.

tired this week after 44 years in the bishopric which began on a Georgia farm in the closing days convention were J. A. Hamlett, of slavery.

Here visiting his son, Dr. Jasper H. Moore, Tennessee, William H. Tappan Phillips, and daughters, Bell Georgia, Charles L. Russell, Mrs. E. C. James and Mrs. W. J. Washington, Luther C. Stewart, Steward, Bishop Phillips declared:

"I knew slavery psychologically, but not actually. I was with Booker T. Washington in Boston when he

CME's Seek Censure of Minister

COLUMBIA, S. C.—(ANP)—Ecclesiastic censure of the Rev. Archie fered a stirring challenge to Chris- County Sanitary Board.

achem of Batesburg, S. C., "in interest of the Colored Methodist tians throughout the nation. The Woman's Missionary Society, first in 1886. In large the Rev. Archie fered a stirring challenge to was elected bishop of a district Beachem of Batesburg, S. C., "in interest of the Colored Methodist tians throughout the nation. was elected bishop of a district Reachem of Batesburg, S. C., "In interest of the Colored Methodist comprising California, New Mex- Episcopal Church and the people it serves" was asked of CME Bishop ico, Arizona and Nevada where at C. L. Russell last week by laymen and other South Carolinians.

Lay members of Sidney Park STEPSON BEATEN BY SHULL

CME church.

Church here asked Bishop Russell The Columbia laymen said that

that time there was not a single CME church.

Where the past three years he has For the past three years he has a final gesture to celebrate the descape of the church. He was retired with the designation of "Senior Bishop Emeritis" who took the stand in Federal Court ignore "Senior Bishop Emeritis" who took the stand in Federal Court ignore and voted his "full-episcopal reand vot

Thursday afternoon, a testimonical sympathy and consolation from Satesburg.

Reports here from several other Beachem, these men said, followidities indicate that similar letters ing beatings and wanton imprisonable woman bears scars and medical woman bears scars and medical the wake of State wide indignation of Beacham's statments, the result of a Christian man night beating two years ago by Shull, officer Elliott Long and H. Tobias for his election to the

two unidentified white men. Shull leading the assault. The woman has never been charged, tried or convicted of any offense, they said.

MINISTER AND BUSINESSMAN Mr. Beachem, who is presiding elder of the Charleston district for his church, a barber, insurance agent and new dealer, also contracts masonry work and has several men under employ. On Feb. 13, morning after the brutal Woodard beating, Mr. Beachem and his men saw Shull and highway patrolman repeatedly try vainly to wash back the lost sight of the veteran. The group reported that Dr. W. W. King ordered Woodard to a hospial, making the disclosure long beore it was substantiated during he court proceedings.

FESTIFIED SHULL NOT BRUTAL

Beachem, used as a character witness by Shull, testified that Shull would not intentionally beat out anybody's eyes and, that "the colored folk just love him." Woodard had previously testified that after beating him to the ground, Shull had jabbed in his eyes with the end of a blackjack until he lapsed into unconsciousness

COUNSEL AROUSES IRE

CME laymen considered most bitter a statement by defense counsel John Hall to the jury shortly after Beachem left the stand. Hall asked that Shull be not convicted on testimony of "that inferior

Laymen also resented a prosecution attempt to link as church brothers U. S. District Attorney Claude N. Sapp and Beachem, both Methodist but in different faiths.

Reports from the Charleston district indicate that several of the churches under Beachem's supervision may lock their doors against

Sat. 12-21-4 chairmanship of the Phelps-Stokes COVINGTON, Tenn.—The West Fund and President Truman was Tennesee Annual Conference of of the Civil Rights Committee. Dr. the Episcopal District of the J. B. Martin, baseball magnate and CME Church closed here last Sun-former Memphis resident, now reday as Bishop J. Arthur Hamlett, siding in Chicago, was congratupresident of the conference, of lated for his election to the Cook

In his final message to the con- under the leadership of Mrs. L. M. ference, Bishop Hamlett spoke on Laurison, was commended by the "The Question of the Hour," and bishop. Revs. W. G. Debro, E. T.

Bishop Bell Demahu Warld 'ersuaded Nempho Jenn.

By C. E. CHAPMAN ST. LOUIS - (ANP) - A request, thought to be unique in Methodism, was made here at the general conference of the CME church last week when Bishop W. of the organization, announced his retirement to pursue a career of

ric at Hot Springs, Ark., in May recommended that he remain ac- ops at the beginning of the ses- port. Quant tive as bishop in the church, To sion. The reports made by the this he acceded.

Bishop Charles H. Phillips, 88. senior bishop of the church, was eral officers showed the church made "senior bishop emeritus," throughout the nation to be and placed on the inactive roster in the healthiest condition ever with full salary of active bishops. Rounding out 44 years of service, the venerable bishop consented to ence, according to the leaders. church financial obligation

L. Lewis and R. L. Young - and b shop, showed that California. the placing of Bishop Phillips on Ohio and Kentucky reported the assignments for the 1946-1950 purposes, B shop Carter, area,

Texas and Texas. Mempha

Second, Bishop J. A. Hamlett, Conferences: Kansas-Missouri son-Memphis, and Louisiana.

nd West Kentucky.
Fourth, Bishop H Moore, Conand We ferences: Mississippi, North Mississippi, East Mississippi, South Bishop H. P. Porter, reported the three bishops needed to

Southwest Arkansas. Eighth, Bishop F. L. Lewis.

California. 5_28-46

Ninth, Bishop R. L. Young. Conference: Alabama, Birmingham Central Alabama East Alabama and North Alabama.

CME's Elect Three

ored Methodist Episcopal conference here wonday unght area. Y. Bell, closing a term as president after two weeks of interest and De Betram W. Dayle, secre. d were the following: Liberexcitement with 452 elected tary of the board of education align of the laws to permit delegates and the more than reported that the schools and The 59-year-old bishop, a doc- 3.500 visitors from all sections colleges had handled or had tor of philosophy from Yale uni- of the United States in attend- an income of \$1,509,415.51 versity, was elected to the bishop- ance. Three new bishops were That is our first million dol-

b shops and the staff of gen-

Mothdist body. Salle Counsel to the The seven wishops reported With the elevation of the three new bishops — Luther Stewart, F. Bishop C. H. Phillips, sentor the inactive list, the number of more than \$500,000 for general bishops on the present bench church and annual conference stands at nine. The following are Texas, Southeast Missouri and First District, Bishop R. A. Car- Illinois, showed 20 new churchspuri, Northwest Texas. Dallas- es bought or built and more Fort Worth, East Texas, Central than \$99,000 on hand to help the million dollar expansion for Hamlett, Texas College, and Bishop J. Tennessee, West Tennessee, Jack- A. Hamilton reported \$450,000 raised for the erection of Col-Third, Bishop H. P. Porter. Con- lins Chapel Connectional hosferences: Muskogee, Oklahoma pital at Memphis. He presides over the third district.

The Alabama district, led by attention to the balloting Mississippi, West Mississippi and an increase of more than 5,300 vacancies, two by death and members, the liquidation of the one by retirement. On the ences: Georgia, Central Georgia, also the cancellation of the art editor of The Christian Inmembers, the liquidation of the one by retirement. South Georgia, Southwest Georgia, debts on every Alabama church dex and and Feix Lewis, gen-Florida and East Florida 5 26.44 debts on every Alabama church dex and and Feix Lewis, gen-Sixth, Bishop C. L. Russell. Con-while Bishop that IP. Moore eral secretary of church extenferences: New England-MiddleAt-showed that the Miss'ssippi sion and miss'ons, Shreveport lantic, Washington-Virginia, North area had retired a huge debt La. were elevated to the epis Seventh, Bishop Luther Stewart, Ch. Miss'ssipp. Industrial Col- copacy by a big majority. Dr Conferences: Little Rock, Ark., lege, and that more than a Rov I. Young, who was run

balance of \$58,000 on hand.

Bishop C. V. Russell, composing lot and he was third or junio the Carolinas. Virginia, Penh, member in the class of three St. Louis (ANP) -Riding the sylvan'a and the Middle At- elected here Tuesday noon. The crest of the best quadrenn um lantic and New England states hree b shops-elect were inof its 76 year history, the Col- reported great advances and a ducted into their office Sunday habilitation and church ended its 21st general ment of all churches in the ps of the church 23-66 avannah da

1938. His request was referred to the committee on epicopacy, which There were seven active bish-said, following Dr. Doyle's re-

Prof. G. F. Porter reported receipts of \$425 189.18 during the quadrennium, with a net eash balance of \$176,346.77 or hand after settling all genera against the general treasury He was given an overwhelm'ng ovation and had the distinct'on of being immediate'y re elected for his seven h quad renn um by the unanimous vot of the 452 delegates at the conference. J-23-46

Drs. J. B. Boyd, W. P. Pip kins, B. J. Smith, E. F Dury C. E. Chapman J. M. Reed, W 3. Mart'n, Mrs. R. T. Hollis and Mrs. E. W. F. Harris, together with other heads of departmental interests made remarkable reports covering the quad-

Tuesday noon, May 7, the general conference turned \$50,000 balance was on hand in ner-up in the race

terences: Ohio, Kentucky and the district Bishop W (1938 (lacking eight nium of its 76th year history, and votes) was runner-up to B'sh the Colored Methodist Georgia, showed excellent pro- ops-Elect Stewart and Lewis Church ended its 21st general gress in all lines and a cash coming within four votes o conference here Monday, May election. There was a stam The seventh district, under pade to him on the second bal successful crusade for the re- n an elaborate deremony con- editor of The Christian Index, debt-ret re. ucted by the seven other bish- and Felix L. Lewis, general sec- noz Among new legislation enact-

> quality of lay representation ith ministers in the annual onferences, perm'tting one lay e'egate for every pastoral harge n each annual confer-Heretofbre ... there has een four lay delegates from ach presding elder's district i the annual conferences, the ncreasing of the stipend for morning in an elaborate cere etired ministers, the widows mony conducted by the sever nd orphans of deceased m'n- other bishops of the church. sters: the increase of the salries of bishops and general ach member is assessed 50 annual conference. cents for clucational support; Heretofore, there has been and larger financial support for four lay delegates from each the various departmental, in- presiding elder's district in the

ensuing year are Drs. E. P. phans of deceased ministers; the 2 a Murchison, J. C. Allen and Gro-increase of the salaries of the ver H. Carter. editor of the bishops and general officers; the Index. secretary of missions the connectionalizing of the edu-

and book agent.

Reperts Indicate Denomination Making

13, after having elected three new bishops needed to fill vacancies, two by death and one by retirement.

THREE BISHOPS ELECTED

During the election which took place on Tuesday, May 7, on the 3 first ballot Drs. Luther Stewart, & retary of church extension and = o missions, Shreveport, La., were elevated to the episcopacy by a big majority.

Dr. Roy L. Young, who was runnerup in the race at Hot Springs in 1938 (lacking eight votes) was runnerup to Bishops-Elect Stewart and Lewis coming within four votes of election. There was a stampede to him on the second ballot and he was third or junior member in the class of three elected.

The three bishops-elect were inducted into their office Sunday E

LEGISLATION ENACTED

Among new legislation enacted were the following: Liberalizfficers: the increase in the ing of the laws to permit equality eneral funds; the connection- of lay representation with minlizing of the educational in- isters in the annual conferences, erests of the church, whereby permitting one lay delegate for every pastoral charge in each

terests of the chirch ida, annual conferences, the increas- SE New general officers for the ministers, the widows and orincrease in the general funds: cational interests of the church, whereby each member is assessed 50 cents for educational support; and larger financial support for the various departmental interests of the church.

New general officers for the ensuing quadrennium are: Drs. E. P. Murchison, J. C. Allen and? Grover H. Carter editor of the Index, secretary of missions and book agent.

Four hundred and fifty-two deleates and more than 3,500 visitors from all sections of the United m States were in attendance.

Bishop Randall A. Carter, presiding bishop of the second disrict; Drs. Jasper M. Pettigrew. pasne Tabernacle Church, and J. Clarence Colclough, presiding elder of the St. Louis District. were immediate hosts to the gath-

to house the Mt. Olive congregation, an edifice with a seatng capacity of nearly 3,000 per-40 pianos, and 75 rooms. He arrangements had been made tire the entire mortgage debt

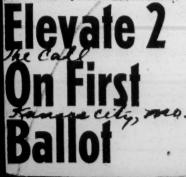
many city and rural brick churches built, scores repaired, thousands added to the membership, reconsecrated Sunday morning, May establishment of excellent credit 12. Bishop W. Y. Bell presided for the college, and sizeable cash during the election of bishops.

The three new bishops will be bishop, presiding.

HEAR BISHOP

The auditorium balances aggregating approximate.

The auditorium was packed made no mistake in electing the day, May 7, at 12 none, we begin to palaness aggregating approximately sequence of the first part of the beginner of the several part of the several



Church Now Mas **Ten Active**

Bishops on Bench

of the board of education reported that the schools and colleges had handled or had an income of \$1,509.415.51. "That is our first milbishop elected, was born Sept. 4, invitation. Twelve persons came bishop elected, was born Parish, La., the forward to join the various church pense money and the conference voted for an increase in expense of \$425, 189, 18 during the quadrennium, with a net cash ballaction from Homer seminary and ice and who had attended General op Carter said his delegates had quadrennium, with a net cash ballaction from Homer college, conferences through the years, enough money and also some exame of \$176.346.77 on hand after settling all general church finances called the money belonged to the has been a pastor for many years, presiding alder for all many, and he church during Sunday morninged more money than ever before has done special work at Southern services of a general conference, and the money belonged to the has been a pastor for many years, presiding alder for all many, and he church during Sunday morninged more money than ever before has done special work at Southern services of a general conference, and the money belonged to the bas been a pastor for many years, presiding alder for all many years, presiding alder for all many. has been a pastor for many years, presiding elder for 12 years and Friday night Bishop W. Y. Bell gates did not suffer. Bishop Ham-

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HEAR BISHOP HAMLETT writer in this country. I think we further, we recommend that on Tueston and the auditorium was packed made no mistake in electing the day, May 7, at 12 noon, we begin to be a Bishop Rev. Mr. Chapman."

was general secretary of the De- of the Sixth Episcopal district lett said he was of the same opinpartment of Kingdom Extension made his report with the finan-ion as Bishop Bell. when elected to the bishopric. cial statement being read by the Saturday the Rev. C. E. Chap-who will be 89 on Jan. 17 and who Bishop Roy Lee Young was born Rev. R. A. Lark. Following the man read a resolution recommend who will be 89 on Jan. 17 and who and reared in Lauderdale county, report, the Rev. O. R. Jackson of ing a committee be appointed to 111 during the CME Conference. Miss., at Whynot and has lived Florida lauded the work done by "consider matters of great im in St. Louis last week. He will years. He received his high school dealing with the men of the church dissipate our energies on incon be given his full salary and by advention in Moridian Miss. Points of the church dissipate our energies on incon designated as hishon-emeritus. education in Meridian, Miss., Paine and for his democratic stand in sequental matters. college, Augusta, Ga., and Garrett matters pertaining to the church. On Monday night the committee

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Saturday morning reports were on Episcopacy made its recom



RALPH T. JONES

Seems To Be Here

Having read several brief news items in the papers of late, referring to camp meetings in

progress, or about to be, in various sections of our State, it is evident that "camp meetin" time is upon us.

Laugh, if you will, at one who has to depend upon the papers to inform him when that important period of the Georgia year rolls around. But what else can you do when boyhood memories are blank on the subject? They had revivals, to be sure, at the church of my boyhood, but it was in a big city, country life was something utterly foreign to my experience, save for an occasional week or two of vacation, and camp meetin' was something unknown.

Anyway, I believe the camp meetin' is an American institution, isn't it? The. 8-2-40

So how should a boy in Liverpool, England, know anything of

Never Saw One So, never have I participated in a camp meeting. I think every year I'll visit one for a day, and listen to the singing and the preaching, enjoy the fellowship. But always something arises to prevent. It looks now as though it will again be impossible this year.

The nearest I've ever been to camp meeting is that one conducted by the Negro churches of Atlanta at a camp ground in the Pace's Ferry Road section. If memory isn't tricking me, it's called New Hope Camp Ground. Whether or not it still operates, again I don't know. I'd like, however, to recommend a visit to any of you who love good singing, particularly the singing of Negro spirituals by the finest Negro choirs in our city.

I went two or three times to hear that singing, some years ago.

They reserve a large section of seats for white people. Those seats were, whenever I went there, well filled. For a lot of white folks knew about that singing and went to enjoy it.

You would see there, large groups of Atlanta "society," with a capital S, from the mansions of Pace's Ferry, Tuxedo Road and that neighborhood. You would see, too, many typical Georgia farm families, come in from the real rural sections of North Fulton. And the average folks, such as the Joneses, and the like.

Big Bethel choir sang, and other Negro church aggregations. Some of the Negro colleges of the city sent their glee clubs.

If the meetings are going to be held there this year, and if I can manage to get out some evening, I do hope I can hear, once again, Big Bethel singing that favorite spiritual of mine, the one about "Throw down the Silver Trumpet, Gabriel." That, believe me, really "sends me."

I'd like, too, my newly acquired English daughter-in-law to hear

that spiritual singing at its best.

Good Preaching, Too The preachers, obviously, preach for the benefit of their Negro listeners. Adapted thus to their audience, it is good preaching, too. Amusing to white people to be sure. But sincere and homey and, undoubtedly, effective.

The cleverest thing I heard there though, was, during the col-

lection.

The collection boxes were being passed around while the preacher of the evening exhorted all to give as much as they could spare.

The collectors, having gone everywhere in the place, carried their boxes, filled with coins and some bills, to the pulpit. They emptied them, a pile of money, before the preacher. He looked it over. Picked up the bills and looked at them, one at a time.

Then he turned to the collectors and gently, but firmly, talked

He told them they had failed in their duty, which was to give everyone there the opportunity to contribute. He said they had skipped some, had not been to all. "How do I know?" he shouted.

Because, he said, one of his good white friends was seated in the white section. He called the man by name. A prominent Atlantan,

white section. The cancer the final of hame. A prominent Atlantan, a man whom everyone knows.

"This white friend of mine," he said, "is a good and generous man. I know him. And one thing about him I know positively. He

never puts in the collection plate anything smaller than a five-dollar bill. And there ain't no five-dollar bill here at all. Which means the collector never carried his box to him. Go back and get that

So the collector went back and the Atlanta businessman, of course, had to put in five dollars. What else could he do?

It was a smart trick. But, if I should again be in the congregation I am asking, here and now, that the collection-exhorting preacher please skip me. Or, if he must, call for a dollar as my top limit.

I'm not in the five-dollar class.

Louisiana. They maintain their motherhouse in a historic edifice on Orleans street, back of the St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans.

Blessed Martin de Porres

HOUSTON - Blessed Martin de Negro confirmed by Porres, whose statue stands to the tight of the altar of the St. Nicholas church here, and who is prayed to by both races during devotionals.

Tokyo — Blessed Martin de Dishop | Japanese bishop | Japanese bishop | Tokyo — An American Negro A solemn international novena in Anglican church. 5 - 35 - 46 his honor was held in the Blue Chap—
The Negro was Pvt. John H.

and miracles. The special novena Todomu Sugai in St. Peter's in his honor was conducted by the church, Zushi. Rev. Norbert Georges, O. P., and 28th Catholic priest the Rev. William J. Dillon, O. P., 28th Catholic priest directors of the Blessed Martin guild, in U. S. grdained
The Blessed Martin Choral Group, in U. S. grdained Cannon, O. P., sang, and the Rev. to 28 the number of Negro Cathodelivered a special sermon.

ican born in 1759 and died in 1639 the Most Rev. William A. Griffin, Across from the alter at the St. Nicholas church to the left from his statfrom Washington to be ordained

Father George Hanks, pastor of church in Washington last week.
the St. Nicholas church, said Bless-Getting his early contration at

St. Louis CYO Drops

ST. LOUIS (ANP).—The Catholic Youth Council, governing body for all Catholic athletic teams affiliated with the St. Louis SISTERS TO EXTEND Municipal League, in the future, will not associate itself with any organization that does not record. organization that does not recog-

John Turner, supervisor of the reation in the city parks and play-charge of two parochial schools reation in the eity parks and play-charge of two parochial schools in the diocese of Alexandria in glebert and Sacred Heart, two Catholic teams, were suspended for playing games against Visitation baseball club which had colored and white players. Pressure is being brought to would take over convents for Ne-Pressure is being brought to would take over convents for Ne-Pressure is the proponents of colored at helets playing in the Municipal Reague against which there has heen persistent opposition, all though Catholic special meeting of the day night, had a few comments had convents in Central or North Catholic Hierarchy of the South in Against such.

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el of the Dominican Sisters at Un-Roberts, stationed with a port company in Yokahama who intends Blessed Martin, a Negro of Lima, to study for Holy Orders following Peru was a lay-brother who has be- his separation from the Army. He come world-famous for his holiness was confirmed by Japanese Bishop

Austin Chachere. of Stirling, N. J., to 25 the line rests in this country, the Rev. Joseph Paul Butler, of Washing-Patron of Social Justice Order of ton, D. C., was ordained here re-Preachers, Blessed Martin was Amer. cently at St. Mary's Cathedral by

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ed Martin is remarkable when both St. Cyprian's school in Washingwhite and colored kneel before the ton, Fr. Butler studied for his ordination with the Fathers of the Divine Word, St. Augustine's seminary, Bay St. Louis, Miss.; St. John's university, Collegeville,

WORK IN LOUISIANA

(International News Service)
Alexandria, La., Aug. 18.—For nize colored athletes, according to Alexandria, La., Aug. 18.—For the Rev. Charles E. Maxwell, dithe first time in their 104 years of existence the Sisters of the Holy existence the Sisters of the Holy council teams in the Manicipal order of Negro women in this Baseball League. When the country, will undertake work in John Turner, supervisor of rec. North Louisiana when they take rection in the city parks and play charge of two parochial schools. reation in the city parks and play charge of two parochial schools

Minn.; and St. John's Archabbey Latrobe, Pa.

ST. LOUIS—Said to be the first Negro girls adjusted to a Catholic nursing order in America, these three young women have begun training with the Sisters of St. Mary of the Third Order of St. Francis at St. Mary's Infirmary here. Left to right they are Pauline Townsend, Washington, D. C.; Hilda

To Become First Negro Nursing Sisters

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Its statement said the seminar's schools number 60,000.

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ment practices legislation. State Christianity is an interracial econ-ern attitude of liking individually rather than collectively One-fourth hold that the minority should be denied the right to vote, 50 per cent said they would not vote for one under any

cause of color." It likewise as-Born of school superintendent conditions, while 25 per cent revealed they would vote for a qualisailed "unions which exclude Ne-parents in Trinidad, the 35-year-fied colored person against a less qualified white. groes from membership or con-old priest often climbed the hill, fine them to a 'second class membership.'"

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mended yesterday that Negroes be accorded "equal service" with all other citizens in hotels, restaurants, theaters, public libraries and hos-

Urging support for Fair Employment Practices Legislation, State and Federal, the group condemned "employers who discriminate because of color." It likewise assailed "unions which exclude Negroes from membership or confine them

to a 'second class membership.' The National Catholic Welfare Conference said the recommendations were made by "40 nationally known Roman Catholic leaders in interracial work" after a study.

Its statement said the Seminar's Civic Rights Committee called for 'equal educational advantages for Negroes" and urged they be assisted to acquire property.

The seminar recommended a national health insurance program, It urged extension of social security to all employes.

The group condemned "any institution by which the right to vote is infringed upon" and mentioned as examples "the white primary or abuse of the poll tax.

It said that "banning of Negro newsmen from the Senate and House press galleries of the national Capitol" is a "violation of American Democracy by the American

Mon-11-11-4 blistering attack upon economic and social injustices suffered by Negroes in the United States, the

Shatters Tradition

CATHOLIC ORDER

the Sisters of St. Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the United States, on July 26, opened a novitiate for colored nurses at Sate 11-16 - 46 St. Mary Infirmary.

the new community.

D. C., and Elizabeth Ebo of Bloom-for the United States Senate.

Jri 12-20-46 priesthood in 1912 he has been sta-Jackson, Misss, Dec. 4 (Special)—noned in Pass Christian. He is also Four years ago two-fisted Fatherin charge of St. Stephen's Church, George T. Strype, S. S. J., white De Lisie. Miss., and Our Lady of priest of Pass Christian, Miss., Chartres Church in Delmas Dedsolemaly voved hat he would desaux. Nashville, Jann.

testify at the proceedings. Fr. Order Welcomes Negroes 44.
Strype is a member of the Jose BAYST. LOUIS The Mission-phite Fathers. Catholic priests who ary Sisters, Servants of the Holy o Negroes. More than 200 of theseters" because of the color of their priests are caring for almost 100, habits, have announced that they 000 parishioners in the United will welcome Negro candidates to States. Some 125 churches in the their order. South are under their care, and more than 20,000 Negro children are being educated in their schools.

By REBA SCHINAULT

ST. LOUIS—Another tradition has been shattered and a closer approach to real Christianity has been made by a Catholic institution. Not too long ago, Negro students were admitted to St. Louis University through the courageous pioneering of Father Helthaus. This time, the role of pathfinder has been adopted by a group of nuns, the Sisters of St. Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total St. Total States on Mary, who, for the first time in the history of the O. St. Total St. To

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has a membership of about 550, admitted that he had encourage ement insurance. Social security lits four schools of nursing are located at St. Mary's Hospital, Clayton, Mo.; St. Mary's Infirmary in St. Louis; St. Mary's Hospital in Kansas City, Mo., and St. Mary's Hospital in Kansas City, Mo., and St. Mary's Hospital in Kansas City, Mo., and St. Mary's Hospital, Madison, Wis. In addition to these schools, the sisters in various sections of the country.

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Packson, Misss, Dec. 4 (Special)—House in Pass Christian, He is also

known Catholic leaders in interof Nursing.

Upon completion of this course they will be placed in one of the hospitals served by the order, possibly here in St. Louis or in Dillon, S. C.

"When we visited the Holy Father, Pope Pius XI, in 1930, he felt that we were not doing enough for the Negroes in the United States, explained Mother Irene, assistant superior general of St. Marv of the Angels, the Motherhouse and Novitiate. "So in 1933 we set up a nursing school at St. Mary's Internal superior graduated a class firmary and have graduated a class said. The Negroes in the United States, as a control of the Negroes who had been been the rolls as Democrats were sud. The seminar scivil rights committee asked for "equal educational advantages for Negroes" and urged that they be assisted in acquiring property. A national nursing school at St. Mary's Internal superior graduated a class firmary and have graduated a class said. That they had met and decided advocated by the group. It asked

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. In answer to questions supplied individual a choice between volun-The Sisters of St. Mary, which by Bilbo's attorney, the priest freely tary group coverage or govern-has a membership of about 550, admitted that he had encourage ment insurance. Social security

Elderly Priest Is Honored For City Of St. Jude W

"A lot of people have worried printed last April or May in the Catholic guild.

Here in Montgomery is the about that" says the old priest that his findings showed a definite increase. The City of St. Jude, the largest "They forget I was given up for towards better relations, but deplored the City of St. Jude, the largest They forget I was given up for towards better relations, but deplored the Catholic Church, school and social finished 12 years ago." He smiles, fact that the change was not greater, changes on the American scene as a native Southerner t found the im-would Catholic Church, school and social finished 12 years ago. He smiles, As a native Southerner I found the im-would accord a "family living center for Negroes out on High-clutches his battered hat, and provement indicated definite progress." wage" for all way No. 31 started from nothing looking up to heaven says: 12 years ago by an elderly priest, "They'll get all the help they

Father Harold Purcell.

In the current issue of the Wins Catholic "Reader's Digest" honor is paid Wins Catholic to the old priest and his work for the Negro citizens. In a sympathetic article special mention is made of two prominent Montgomery doctors who have helped Los AdGELES—The 194

him by giving their knowledge Angeles Catholic Council award and talents: Dr. John Martin, a for the Catholic layman perform-Protestant, and Dr. Clarence ing the most outstanding service The Cape- American for the cause of interracial jus-Father Purcell should not have tice was presented to Philip M. 101 started anything, says the Digest, Connelly, secretary-treasurer since the doctors had ordered a the city's CIO Council.

A veteran in the fight against The removal of discrimination long rest. But idling in the soft discrimination Connelly is a form-from all Catholic schools, church-

in detail from that humble begin-discrimation centuries ago.

ning; the begging in its behalf Negro Catholics in New York; the haggling over Negro Catholics press galleries in the nation's capital.

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mighty God" by nursing the It explains how he bought his guest speakers Wednesday at one taurants, theaters and public li- Fordham University (which this summer land at bargain prices; how a of the largest national conventions how Negroes built the social ever held by Negro Catholics. Negro architect drew the plans;

Over 1,600 delegates from all "Don't ever hate the white over the United States were in

folks" orders Father Purcell to attendance.

the children, wagging a gnarled finger. And he teaches them the under the sponsorship of the lesson of Christian love towards Knights and Ladies of St. Peter neighbors.

other recommendations by the conference included pleas for:

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Irresistible Vocation. Father Matthews' Federal and State fair employ-parents were school superintendents on Claver, national order of Negro

The roof of the church is a Catholics. striking blue. "I want a blue" Eleven Negro priests took part

purred the old man "that would in the daily sessions,

temporary nurses.

be maintained after he has been from figures given in the September issue called to his reward?

Naturally, your readers would understand the quotations from James Morrison. Or Rif the source were properly given and forcing them into auxiliary unions. studied. His information came from a study by a Benedictine priest of Alabama

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Alabama sunshine he saw the er vice president of the American es and hospitals and from other need for great work among the Newspaper Guild, and long time such institutions throughout the Negroes.

Starting in a shanty on Holt Council.

Street he proclaimed, on a banner A miniature figure of Martin De The far-reaching recommendators the lawn, "This is the City Porres, Peruvian, who was a Do-tions, published by the Social Actions the Street he proclaimed across the lawn, "This is the City Porres, Peruvian, who was a Do-tions, published by the Social Actions of the Netional Cothers was the award tion group of the Netional Cothers.

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its behalf "mere legalism.

Equal Service Requested

center, clinic and pharmacy, and Meeting in the Corpus Christi the recommendations included a regard to race or color.

ment practices bills.

from figures given in the September issue of St. Augustine's Messenger, Bay St. Extension of social security teat Belgium's University of Louvain. Or-Louis, Miss. One of the latest high schools all workers.

C., treasurer. and A. J. Cummings,

End to poll tax and other examples of the "White primary. Extension of union membership to include all workers instead of

Establishment guilds and fight against birth con-

The seminar foresees that such provement indicated definite progress.

A second point of misunderstanding is wage" for all and correct the that while these students are of the South-abuses against human rights

In race-troubled Detroit place not in the Catholic urban sections, the Church of St. Benedict the Moor, Says Father Matthews: "It holds just but elsewhere."

Let me put in my words of praise for Solemn High Mass was celebrated by a as true in religion as in politics. Any Mr. Le Berthon and Mr. Schuyler—their tall, handsome Negro whose brown face successful new system has got to be an columns are tops." its drive for interracial amity.

for the testimonial banquet in his honor and customs of a people to know how they were charmed by Father Matthews' urbane can best understand the Christian faith polish, his easy, fluid gestures, the Carib- and accept it as their own." bean cadence of his speech. He told them: "It is sometimes alleged—not without some foundation in the past history of the culture-conflict of the Negro in the New World-that Negroes do not wish to be ministered to by priests of their The story of St. Jude's is told known for his work against racial the fact that colored newsmen are own race. . . . To say that in this year barred from the Senate and House of grace and achievement, 1946, is . . . a

U.S. to study, 35-year-old Father Matthews has been lecturing and teaching The seminar further recom almost as much as he has been learning. Negro sick for him in Montgom- CHICAGO - Mayor Kelly and mended that equal service be ac His current schedule includes graduate leading Negro clergymen were corded all citizens in hotels, res- courses in English at New York City's awarded him a Ph.D. in Sociology and Endorsed by more than 40 na-Political Philosophy); completion of a tionally known Catholic leaders, book on Caribbean social forms; superhow nuns came to replace the Church, the convention was opened plea for the right to vote without vision of two research projects at Katherine Dunham's School of Dance and Other recommendations by the Theatre, where he also teaches philosophy;

Equal advantages in education dad. As a boy, young Basil often climbed at all levels. Caltimore, Md. the hill, eleven miles from Port of Spain, No Difference in Prisoners to visit the monastery of Mount St. Bene. purred the old man "that would in the daily sessions, make even Pontius Pilate think A EATHOLIC EXPLAINS of the robe of the mother of 76 the Editor: Mr Catholic Students Think Race in probation, parole and pardon for Benedictine order. Irresistibly drawn to pened a Home for Incurables The article you quote appears to lump fifty miles from the church, and looks down on the Negro race, and your next year he will have completed a high school with 30 rooms. He is now planing to build a free is now planing to build a free How is this project going to the sudents into a class which should not be subjected in the sudents and pardon for Benedictine order. Irresistibly drawn to all prisoners of whatever race of "the splendor of the liturgical life" he found there, at 14 he was discussing his head on the story acceptuates this insinual prant, administered by the Federal Three years later Mount St. Benedict he is now planing to build a free Reverend ying the individual Three years later Mount St. Benedict he address given by the schools along with white students, as you choice between voluntary groupadmitted him, gave him basic training may discover in the address given by the coverage or Government insurand two years of philosophy, sent him bears troit, at a great interracial gathering, and ance.

The at all levels. Sultimore, Md. the hill, eleven miles from Port of Spain, to visit the monastery of Mount St. Benedict, first West Indian outpost of the visit the monastery of Mount St. Benedict, first West Indian outpost of the head outpost of the head of the head of the head of the splendor of the liturgical life, he catholic committee of the South. Officers elected at yesterday's closing session here included the liturgical life, he catholic committee of the South. Officers elected at yesterday's closing session here included the liturgical life. He had been chosen and pardon for Benedictine order. Irresistibly drawn to visit the monastery of Mount St. Benedict here are repeated the him. Nother Danie and pardon for Benedi

on to the Benedictine College of Theology ward McClements, Charlotte, vice-

dained a priest in 1935, Father Matthews took extension courses from University Correspondence College, Cambridge, came to the U.S. and Fordham on a scholarship in 1941.

For all his success in the U.S. and his opportunity for service there as "ambassador of interracial justice and charity," Father Matthews' heart and head belong to Trinidad and Mount St. Benedict. He looks forward to his return next spring to continue working on his chief study-the cultural forms of his own people as a last week, at matrix of the Gospel of Christ.

RAY BERNARD, S.J. and hands contrasted dramatically with organic outgrowth from the old one. Otherthe shining white of his alb. The Rev. wise the new religion will be only a surface S Dom Basil Matthews, O.S.B., reputedly covering that can be taken off like you the first of his race to be ordained a take off your coat at night. And to make Benedictine priest, had been invited by the new religion grow organically out of the Roman Catholic diocese to further the ald you've get to know the old inside the old, you've got to know the old inside Detroiters who turned out after Mass out. . . . You've got to know the beliefs

TRINIDAD'S FATHER MATTHEWS "Salvation is not racial."

Racial Justice Inherent in True SOUTH BEND, Ind.—"All people eat one common food at a

common table when they receive Communion in religious services, and they do violence to themselves and to their faith, if they discriminate against colored in restaurants and in economic life," Msgr. Reynold Hillenbrand, socially-minded Chicago prelate, declared in a recent address at Notre Dame University.

Speaking to students studying for the Catholic priesthood from the United States and Canada, who were present at the university for a national Catholic-Action Convention, Monsignor Hillenbrand called for greater practice in daily life of the social principles of racial justice inherent in true religion.

He pointed out that in the Catholic service of the Mass, of which Holy Communion is properly a part, the priest and people together offer their own hearts in union with the whole human race. "This constitutes a principle of racial unity which must go beyond the church, and pervade every phase of our social and economic life," he said.

Catholic Bishop Drops The Agro-American J.C. in Buffalo Churche Baltimore, Md. Discontinues 2 Non-White Edifices;

Members Welcomed to Nearest Parish

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"Becoming overerowded and that of those parishes within whose many members were coming from limits you reside.

Pastor to N.C.

Speaking at closing ceremonies Blessed Martin is the object of the control of the catholics: in River Forest. Ill., to bring within whose The humble spots in Lima, Peru, which were touched by his considerable distances" to attend

Ave., the Rev. John Huston, ad parish in which your talents can Blessed Martin de Porres, Pa-

St. Peter Claver's, 278 JeffersonChurch here as an assistant. Ave., the Rev. Peter A. Washing. Father Obendorfer said that: After the birth of Juana, a secton, administrator, was damaged Discontinuance of the churches ond child, Juan and Blessed Marseverely by fire last year and ie was the only thing and the right tin's mother separated.

quired a new structure.

thing to do." At a meeting of high officials Seeing Is Believing of the Buffalo diocese last April, Asked if white families were it was decided that the expense being oriented, he added that of building a new church was in "Whites can best be indoctrinated expedient, since the colored pop by seeing it work. If through igaliation was spread over the city norance and prejudice, they do and many families were already not attend, it will still not change attending white churches in their the doctrine."

One colored family which was childhood have come down and many families were already not attend, it will still not change the colored family which was childhood have come down and many families were already not attend, it will still not change the church of San Sebastian, where Saint Rose of Lima was christened seven years later. The immense baptismal font is still preserved although the church was damaged severely by an earth-quake in 1940.

Only a few details of Martin's childhood have come down and many families.

Bishop's Decision St. Peter Claver has a parish Church, on the west side of Bufregister of 160 families.

The final decision was made by to St. Mary's, since it is located the most Rev. John F. O'Hara, in the colored section.

But Father Obenderfer soid that Anthony's known that, in spite of the sordid surroundings of his boyhood, he showed himself an exceptional child, especially generous to those poorer than himself register of 160 families.

B shop of Buffalo, who is now on But Father Obendorfer said that a mission in Tokyo. He came here each church has boundaries, and a mission in Tokyo. He came here each church has boundaries, and from Notre Dame University, parishioners must attend the ones admitted to the Dominican Convent of the Holy Rosary as a ter-

the principle of the order would be violated.

Divided Opinion

Opinion on the effect of this development is divided. Some Catholics believe that it will encourage colored to become Catholics and increase attendance since mass is held every half hour, instead of only twice as it was at colored churches.

Others feel that social contact of the parishioners will be lost, and hence attendance will dimin-

This is the first religious organization which has banned intolerance.

Father Obendorfer is a Baltimorean, and in an AFRO interview he recalled many of his earlier days when he was one of its ardent readers.

atholic Saint?

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He later told the AFRO that economic causes were equally as important as factors in closing the churches.

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St. Augustine's, 417 Michigan pate in all the activities of your

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Mixed Parentage

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Index pression. The Rev. Mr. Huston, retiring was born Dec. 9, 1579, the illeging administrator, will go to Wilson timate son of a freed colored register lists 200 families and some 150 pupils taught by three sisters of Notre Dame. Alcantara.

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This is a small chapel in the room in Lima where Blessed Martin de Porres was born. A statue of Martin may be seen on the altartiary helper. He sought the lowest place in the community, and nine years later was ordered to become a lay brother.

He soon became a model religious. His industry was unflagging, his obedience and humility most sincere, and his charity knew no

Blessed Martin visited the hovels of the wretched and abandoned. He was considered an Angel of Mercy to whom God gave the power to perform miracles and to foresee the future.

All Lima affectionately called him "The Father of the Poor." Today hundreds of thousands pray to him for favors through his intercession.

One More Miracle

Blessed Martin died at the age of 60, Nov. 3, 1639, and was declared a blessed servant of God by Pope Gregory XVI in 1837. Since then, a series of miracles have been attributed to him.

After one more miracle he may declared a saint, according to the tenders of the Roman Catholic Church.

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istoric St. Augustine's urch Sold for \$30 WASHINGTON Ball, who is in nearby Maryland,

A colored Catholic is accredit-ed with the founding of St. Au-gustine's Church, by gaining permission from Abraham Lincoln to hold a party on the White House Lawn to raise funds for the church which was sold last week NEWARK, N.J.—A total of 104

red worshipers.

St. Augustine's is reputed to in charge of work among colored

Opened In Chapel For eight or nine years, wor members, over 10 tons of clothing ship services were held in a were gathered for liberated Euchapel on the 15th St., sate, named ropean countries and 10,000 cans after colored brother of the of food collected for Europe and Dominican Order, Martin DePor-the Far East. res after which they decided to At recent service, the congre-

A school was built on L St., be ored people as members of the tween 15th and 16th where serv. Church. when the church was dedicated Archbishop ames Roosevelt Bailey after an interracial parade through the city.

The orginal cost of the structure was between 8 and 10 thousand dollars as against the selling price today. It is of Gothic strueture with about \$100,000 worth

At present there is in operation. The church eventually opened in

According to Father Alonzo Church; 176 were nder instructions, who is starting his 43rd tion when called into the service altars, stations of the cross and the president's now given those interested in joining nected with the church persons were received into the year as priest there, Gabrial Cok. and 185,000 instructions were lev who got the President's per given those interested in joining meeted with the church, presided over \$1,000 from the Catholic Church in 1945 active party that was given July 4, cording to the Rev. Joseph C. 1865 to build a church for col. Lenihan of Queen of Angeles MAKES INTERRACIAL PLEA MAKES INTERRACIAL PLEA

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of marble on the interior, which Augustine's famed Catholic church lems of the Negro by Catholic with a Negro membership of over priests and laymen.

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Abraham Lincoln himself, start-of Brooklyn, has been appointed Grand Rapids have opened their ed the drive for funds for Saint to the New York City board of convent and these vocations to Augustine's in 1864 by giving a higher adjustion which coverns colored girls who are qualified for years ago when the depression ed the drive for funds for Saint to the New York City board of convent and these vocations to had to be halted on the site at "strawberry festival" on the White all city-owned colleges. He is the As in America these convents

welve room school with 475 1874 and in the intervening years pupils and a convent housing services were held in the basehe two houses, 1717 and 19, ment of St. Matthew's cathedral.

15th St., about which there has tor, has served continuously with the church since 1903. He was as-During his pastorate at St. Au. signed there at his own request. gustine's Father Olds has sent Many brilliant. Catholic priests ut three priests, Norman Duckett, have serviced the church, among them Father Paul Griffiths, who

translated the Latin ritual of the mass into English. Father Griffith also proposed the exhortation before marriage which is still

The Rev. Chester Ball, Negro priest, attended St. Augustine's as youth as did many of Washington's outstanding Catholics. It has been the scene of many marriages and funeral services for the devout worshippers. The church is to retain occupancy of the old building until January, 1947, and will have the right to remove all

2-2-46 stations of the cross and

new york Times VI Father Chachere Says Church Is Back of Movement

The Rev Austin Chachers, who elebrated mass resterday for the Brooklyn Brooklyn Caholic Interracial Council at St. Claver Church, Claver Place, Brooklyn, said at the communion breakfast that followed that the "Church, as a bodyuniversal for all races, colors and nationalities, is very solicitous for the expansion of the interracial movement in America," and pleaded for the development of "leadership for the laity in the Negro

community." In the Negro in line for appointment as carding the Rev. William J. Cullen declared that "the progress of the Negro in America has been phenomenal, despite the very evident Perhaps this will not be news to lack of adequate leadership and you but I thought it was somelack of adequate leadership and you but I thought it was some-WASHINGTON — (ANP) — St. riod of intensive study of the prob- case you had missed it organization," and forecast a pe-thing that might be of interest in

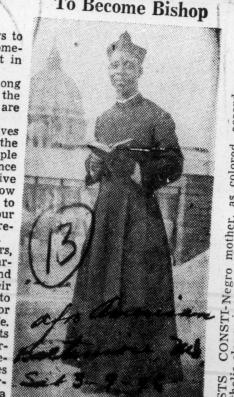
He's in Line to Become Cardinal



Bishop Kiwanuka of Uganda is pictured here at Vatican City with a group of Australian pries. Kiwanuka, now returned home, was consecrated in Rome where as studied, and is one of four colored bishops in line for appointment as cardinal, perhaps at the next Consistory.

First Negro on the board. 3-23-4had always been white in memberhip, this is an important departure. In European countries here never had been in any Carnel Convents, any question of a

To Become Bishop



we are happy that in the type of convent which we regard as the highest, colored girls who can live after his ordination as a priest of the Roman Catholic Church. St. Damiel A. Lord, S.J., St. Louis, Mo. Peter's Cathedral can be seen in the background. Father Gbikpi the background. Father Gbikpi will be a bishop at the end of the

States, according to an article if the current "Interracial Review," which questions the apathy of colored leadership among Catho-

The commentary s a history of colored priests in the United States, written by the Rev. Austin Chachere.

Although the first olored priest was ordained in 1854, American Catholics did not consider the Rev. James Augustine Healy, son of an Irish father and a conventreared colored mother, as colored according to Father Chachere.

14 in 80 Years

The next priest to be ordained, he points out, was Father Augustine Teleton in 1888. During the entire period from 1854 to 1934, only 14 colored priests were ordained at irregular intervals, the

Since 1934, the year which marked succes for the first organized effort in education of colored candidates for the Catholic priesthood in this country, eight priests have been ordained.

Cites Assignments

The 22 priests now are assigned treat work, in magazine production, and service as military chaplains

Father James Healy gave two sons to the priesthood—Father Sherwood, who was pastor of St. James Church in Boston, and Father Patrick, under whose term as president of Georgetow lege, Washington, D.C. stitute became a university.

Colored Catholics

The number of Negro Catholics in the United States has more than doubled in the last marked 25 years, it was made known signs "for colored bare this week in a report of only." The white here this week in a report of the Commission for Catholic Missions. Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, is servin on the com-mission. 214-13-41 There are in the United

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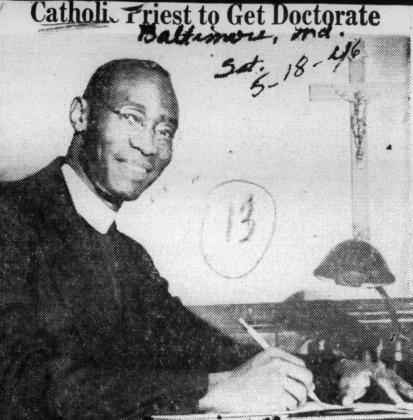
True.

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The white Catholics did not

groes were bap-tised and married States more than 314,000 Negro Catholics, the report in these churches, states. About 6,000 of these and buried from them. But theirs joined the church in 1945.

According to the report, 58,165 Negro pupils, all of whom are Catholics, are beeducated in Catholic schools. During the year 10 new schools and 13 churches well as several new hospitals and a number of mediclinics and dispensaries were opened. There are now churches and 274 schools Negro Catholics in the



Bishop William A. Griffin of The 22 priests now are assigned to work in the United States, are The Rev. Basil Matthews, U.S.B., a priest of the Benedictine Order, tion services in St. Mary's Ca engaged in parochial, educational who will have his doctoral thesis on West Indian culture published the drain. Trenton, on May a Trenton officiated at the ordinaengaged in parochial, educational by Fordham University, it was announced in New York last week Father Butler said and social work, in mission and re- The 34-year-old priest who is a native of Trinidad, was ordained elevensolemn Mass in years ago. He will receive his doctor's degree in June.

HITE MAN'S VIEWS TED LE BERTHON-

ensolemn Mass in Holy Redemer Church, Washington, May 26. Archbishop Orders Removal Of Jim-Crow Signs in Louisiana Catholic Churches

lained for the Diocese of Trenton

e attended St. Cyprian's School,

incent's College, Latrobe, Pa

One of Only 28

this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily express the editorial opinion of The Pittsburgh Coorier.—The Editors.)

P to about a quarter of a century ago, there apparently were no Catholic churches title "Caribbeen Concerto." solely for Negroes in Louisiana. Negroes and whites porshipped together. Prot-ordained in his home island of the church of the chu estantism, of course, had its traditional jim-crow arrangement, the dual system whereby Trinidad eleven years ago, said each sect had—and still has—separate churches and separate ministerial associations that "because of the policy of the

for white and colored, it was decided that all-Negro Cath-"Please be seated. No exceptions.

Jim crow, however, had stolenolic churches and schools should be By order of the Archbishop." into the Catholic churches in an-erected. This decision was—and Ushers were instructed to seat any-Negroes had to in the rear

rerected. This decision was—and Ushers were instructed to seat any-still is—productive of amazingly fa-one, regardless of race or color, vorable results. The Negroes are wherever the individual wished to returning to Catholicism at a fairly sit, provided there were seats available.

The building of Xavier University, Xavier prep, and numerous pa-sons. First, undoubtedly, because rochial elementary and high schools it was the Christian thing to do. for Negroes has contributed to the Rut also many Negroes had still the still also many Negroes had still the still

for Negroes has contributed to the But also, many Negroes had still He explained that it raised the

All this might seem, offhand, to inated by whites, either because of mean that the Catholic Churchconvenience, sentiment or habit, simply is copying the Protestantand many older Negroes had been churches. churches, and equally perpetuating unable to hear very well from the instead of going to far rear, and thus were not being preached the Gospel.

groes were baptised and married in these churches, and buried from them. But theirs undoubtedly was a second - class membership, not in God's eyes, but in the eyes of their fellow parishioners of the dominant white race. Negroes in those years left the Catholic Church in large numbers and became, as a rule, Baptists and Methodists, because in all-Negro churches they could enjoy a happier social life. This type of im crowism seemed preferable to that of sitting in rear pews and taking no active part in the church's social programs.

Alarmed over the dropping away of Negroes from the Catholic fold.

of any race in the area. According to canon law, there can be no such thing as a church edifice for the exclusive membership of any racial group. Racial segregation, within a church edifice, also is a six violation of canon law. The Holy See has made provision for separate parish churches for national groups, such as Italians, Mexicans, French, Germans and Hungarians, who would be unable to understand sermons in English. But no provision ever has been made by Rome for separate church edifices for ra-Archbishop Rummel is himself

"Yank" who came to New Ora dozen years ago from At first, he was determined to try to effect drastic changes in race relations. But, one hears, his Archdiocesan council, many of them Southern-born white priests, warned him to go slow. It seems it was held that any rebuking of Dixie's customs would only intensify racial animosities, and that in the event of serious trouble, the Negroes, being unarmed, helpless minority, would get the worst of it.

NEGRO MUNK HONORED NEW 4 0 1/1 1/10/25 Fordham Thesis for Doctorate to Be Issued as Book

Fordham University invited the press to talk to one of its star students yesterday afternon in the Administration Building on the Bronx campus. He is the Rev. Basil Matthews, the first Negro ever to be ordained a monk in the Benedictine Order.

The occasion was the announce ment by the school that Father Matthews' doctoral thesis on West Indian culture, for which he will

British toward slavery during the past century there is no race or color problem in Trinidad as we

know it in this country. can troops in the Caribbeen during World War II "is perhaps the key to the future of these West Indian areas," Father Matthews added, preferred to attend churches dom- standard of living and caused young people to turn to the United States

recently following a speech made astries to work together. before the group by Dr. Charles H. Wesley, president of Wilberforce

to serve in the group for 1946, the irst Negro so honored

Congregationalists Condemn Racial

Discrimination

CELLICULE CONTROLLE

CONTROL of human relations in the program tributions to American life.

Opposition to restrictive housing covenants, discrimination in GRINNEL, Ia. — (ANP)—A employment, unequal administration of law and segregation of and Reformed Church into a new public services also was made, and denomination, "The United denomination of the "Interendorsement given of the "Inter-Church of Christ" was discussed culture Code" prepared by the in during the biennial meeting of tercultural committee of the Coun- the General Council of Congregacil for Social action.

Delegates also elected the Rev. Week.

EWS COMES FROM MINNE race relations, and passed a rewithheld until 1948 to permit DLIS, MINN. of the election of solution objecting to "the sins of unraveling of technical; legal the Rev. Benjamin N. Moore. Ne-racial and religious bigotry." fIn r and financial problems. gro assistant chairman for the Min-variety of projects of common it merger would create a new denesota State Pastors Conference in crest; development of opportun nomination of 2,000,000 mem-Plymouth Congregational Church ies for persons of different an bers.

The report, made in the interest of "more nearly Christian human relations," was presented by Dr. Buell Gallagher, Berkeley, California, It further urged an inquiry into racial policies of the denomination's agencies and church authorized colleges and schools toward abolition of all segregation and discrimination.

Churches were advised to ban any policy of racial "exclusiveness" as to membership, fellowship or worship, social activities, church administration, staff employment, or ministry, and to rejlace such a policy with one which is "inclusive and non-discrimination."

England and Middle Atlantic nome missions executive vice-thurches for configure president, and promptly passed, and promp

GRINNEL, Ia.

Galen R. Weaver, director of an education and study program an lations asked that approval be

ore the group by Dr. Charles H. Other issues reported on and versity, in which he warned: Inless human relations are reson Christianity instead of on phalism and racism, the world stined for another war." Christianity instead of on opalism and racism, the world stined for another war." Christianity instead of on opalism and racism, the world stined for another war." Christianity instead of on opalism and racism, the world stined for another war." Christianity instead of are to have peace in a world fferent peoples, Wesley constitution of the department of the department of the department of the first people of color than of the color than of the color than of the color than of the color than o

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from pulling down the jim-crow signs and from saying to Congregationalist members "whosoever will, let him come in and be a member of this church," then the next best thing is that the Congregationalist Church continue to do what it is doing — use whatever funds it can spare for the education of colored people in the South.

Education pays dividends. The Rev. Mr. Lowe is righ about this and so is Dr. Brownlee and so is the Congregationalist Church, the best off in producing leaders who will eventually direct the fight to break down all barriers and Tou- achieve full equality

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with such colleges as Fisk, LeMoyne, Dillard, Talladega, Tougloo and other schools and community centers in the South. Strong leaders like DuBarry, Wesley, and DuBois owe their education to these funds distributed by the Congregationalist Church. At one time Howard University got Congrega-

Colored people

ne Race' Church Buttons a laro American Baltimore, Md. orn, by Delegates in La.

GRINNELL, Iowa—(ANP)—Delegates to the general council of Congregational Christian Churches, which opened its annual meeting at Grinnell College here, Tuesday, wore buttons bearing the meeting at Grinnell College here, Tuesday, wore buttons bearing the meeting at Grinnell College here, Tuesday, wore buttons bearing the meeting at Grinnell College here, Tuesday, wore buttons bearing the meeting at Grinnell College here, Tuesday, wore buttons bearing the meeting at Grinnell College here.

during the biennial meeting of characterized the sessions and features of the meeting.

the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches, last minister, the Rev. Norman Holmes, preached the council sermon. For the first time in the organization of the first time in the organization was made by the council for outstanding work in race relations, and problems discussed included, world relief, evangelism, recial tensions, and the church and economic tensions.

Join Sweet Angel and Father Diving

Leader of Montreal 'Heaven' Declares

Cult 'God' Raised Him From the Dead

By RALPH MATTHEWS cause parents are only our fathers prophesy? they demanded angrily. MONTREAL, Canada (Afro Na. "After we discover and accept None of them could recall much lal Bureau) — The new Mother Father Divine, we have no further about Miss Ritchings. the former Edna Rose need of them because our lives the women had bothered to inichi gs of Montreal and Van are complete," she said.

bere as she was to the American

Miss Heart could give no inforfore she became his bride in a Peaceful, with whom she went groups. We could be together was his young woman known by the "We went, we saw the Father H. Fenton Commercial School in that even the members of the lo-the spirit directs us to come," she crack stenographer.

Drawn by Spirit men explained:

"Brothers never talk to sisters H. Spothers nev hat even the members of the lo-the spirit directs us to come," she crack stenographer. cal cult had difficulty recalling stated. These two young women, worked for Eugene Marquardson, wisitor at the meetings.

"She always sat quietly in a cormer with her companions and only."

"The going back as soon as Vancouver and was said to be a soon

The landlady Hits at Press

Sine first went to see Father Distriction of the house could vine on Mar. 1 of this year, but testified occasionally of how she throw no more light on the young came back to Montreal, remaining to the drawn to Father and knew be women other than to say that they only a month and returned to SZ.

Definitely Not an Heiress "No, I won't tell you my name," One thing, however, is cleared she said, "because there has been Mother Divine is not the enough scandal in the papers wealthy heiress she is reputed to about my house ever since the have been as her father, Charles marriage leaked out.

Ritchings of Vancouver, operates "People have said a lot of mean a small florist shop and makes nothings about me. Some even said retensions to being in the mil-Father Dvine had visited her here and they have been seen going in

objection. "They all seem to be fine people," he said.

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Family Contact Broken

The family has heard from their daughter only once since she left home nearly a year ago.

They attribute this to the fact

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that once a person joins the cult They stopped at the local heav have assumed he renounces all earthly relations plans. and accepts parents, as well as There was a special service here en. their other kin, as merely sisters Wednesday evening to celebrate this is far from

members of the cult and live at "I Was Actually Dead" but has spread his missions into Trouble in Australia chanted the audience.

171 Prince Arthur St., a small Brother Gobels insists that he Australia and New Zealand where Although the Divine movement International Affairs house.

182 June 183 Jun oming house.

Was personally raised from the he claims thousands of followers has caught on in Australia, Fa

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to the press's "snooping" on them Why don't you tell of the great things Father is doing instead of talking about his marriage which

was the true and living God," had lived there for almost a year. Philadelphia on Apr. 1. She was 5 and leader of the peace mission here and payor go out with mon or have later after knowing him less than 5 and payor go out with mon or have later after knowing him less than 5 and payor go out with mon or have later after knowing him less than 5 and payor go out with mon or have later after knowing him less than 5 and payor go out with mon or have later after knowing him less than 5 and 10 eader of the peace mission here, and never go out with men or have later, after knowing him less than

However,

still in business in this country. With this the sermon is read. but has spread his missions into **Trouble in Australia**

being claimed as the personal property of two angels, a Mr. and Mrs. Cox. Father rebuked them,

The very fact that Mr. and Mrs. Cox have both attempted to hold the property in their possession as individually owned property, yet at the same time accept. ing co-operation both materially, financially and in the way of service from others, is evidence that they are not seeking to abide by plan and purpose or by MY system for I have made the way. piain enough that a fool need not

"However, if those who claim to be followers of mine were wholeheartedly consecrated to ME, they would not be led erroneously into any scheme or plan that is not of ME for they would seek my personal advice in all things which concern ME, My work and MY mission.

"With best wishes this leaves ME as I am well, healthy, joyful, peaceful, lively, loving, successful, prosperous and happy in spirit. body and mind and in every organ, muscle, sinew, joint, limb, vein, bone and even in every atom, fibre and cell of My bodily atom, fibre and cell of My bodily

Father in Politics

Father Divine is also a power to be reckoned with in Harlem as attested to by the fact that a Shrewd politician like Rep. Adam C. Powell finds it politically profitable to keep in his good graces.

Congressman Powell and his wife were recent guests at a feast at the 128th Street Heaven.

He can give no explanation as and out of my house but that isn't to why his daughter left home true. I have never seen Father Because much of the tumult and and Savior, the Universal Resolution in unity of spirit and mind shouting has died away and the deemer of all the kindred of theing the children of men whereso pers apparently.

WASHINGTON from the holy lips of our Lordstand in unity of spirit and mind away and the deemer of all the kindred of theing the children of men whereso pers apparently. Powell to his followers, Father Powell to his followers, Fathe earth, is indeed worth considering ever I can.

ecause it is true, true, true. "Many vital points are conveyed "But, I do not rise to speak by Father in this masterful sernow. I do not wish to be stirred. by Father in this masterful ser now. I do not wish to be stirred 27 mon, and the reality of His Sul would like to say we have the Q preme Deity is stressed not only great honor of having a great region words, but if one looks on His ligious teacher and leader among some sally portrayed, these living and Harlem, as some may term it, but a scuated facts are too stout to be representing Christianity, Ameri Canism and democracy, Dr. Adam of the sally portrayed these blacks. C. Powell.

their arrival. Set. 8-24 - 46 fact. Although words that you may be lifted "He has been invited not only some in heavy because they high wages and Ralph Matthews above carnality and mortality andas a religious teacher but as an experience of the way words the redeemed inemancipator, an abolitionist who "Father Divine is the father and "We are happy because they high wages and Ralph Matthews above carnality and mortality and a religious teacher but as an example of the angels forced the gradual closing of the actual personified presence of Goois fighting for democracy politic of tambourines are two girl friends accompaniment of tambourines 25 cents, Father Divine is not only Thee."

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Home, Inc., of Brigantine, Pinebrook, N. J .- receive the money depends on the outcome of a show cause order granted an attorney to examine two persons concerned with the will.

George J. Reagan, attorney for Dr. William Hills Sheldon, brother of Mrs. Lyon who died last Oct. 10, said yesterday he had obtained the show order to permit him to examine Patience Budd and Saint Mary Bloom, one of the executors of the estate.

The will bequeathed \$100 each to six relatives and friends: \$500 to Dr.

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was procured by fraud and undue influence by one Father Divine, alias Rev. Morgan J. Divine, alias Major J. Divine, alias Joe Baker and others."

He said the papers also declared that the Defender that the evange-list will have a battery of legal brains in court and they will be that "at various times despite the guided by a "spirit of mental telepfeeble condition of the decedent athy" which only "Father possested decedent from her home to various Dr. Samuel C. McKinney, promkingdoms, heavens and promised inent Harlem physician, has already lands maintained by Father Divine, been subpoenaed to court for exsamination by Reagan who named family, Mrs. Lyon, who died on Saint Mary Bloom and others."



Women's Kin Fights \$500,000 Will In New York Court 46 By MAJOR ROBINSON (Defender New York Bureau)

NEW YORK - Avoiding this state entirely rather than pay a \$6,000 judgment handed down against him five years ago, Father Divine will not make his heavenly appearance in court next week when a deceased woman's brother starts his fight to break her will which left \$500,000 to the self-styled Messiah and cash, cars, jewelry and personal property to her Divinite

Claiming that the will was "procured by fraud and undue influence by Father," George J. Reagan, counsel for Dr. William Hills Sheldon, brother of the late Mrs. Mary Sheldon Lyon, wealthy widow who died in October, filed his objections last week in Surrogate Court be-



ing the signing of the will.

Avoids New York

Sheldon, she left only \$500, "as a Objecting to the probate of the token of her affection," and to six paper, dated Dec. 28, 1943, Regan nieces and nephews \$100 each. charged that will was not freely Citing Patience Budd as "my and voluntarily executed by Mrs. faithful and devoted friend, who

Divine has carefully avoided New York in order not to have a summon served on him, since losing a court battle five years ago to one of his followers who sued and won the right to regain \$6,000 she claimed to have given him while claimed to have given him while a member of the flock. Only on new is living in Rome, George J. dom here.

Divine Denies Influencing timeres Md. that Miss Budd had been em-

nearly \$500,000 by Mrs. Mary S. woman's nurse. on Wednesday that Mrs. Lyon had movement at Fayville, N.Y., and been an active member of his added that she joined the organi-

charged that Mrs. Lyon "lacked tes-as a "faithful member of the King- ace Mission Inc. in Harlem and Although not a member himself,

amination by Reagan who named family, Mrs. Lyon, who died on him as the deceased woman's doc- Oct. 10 and whose will was dated tor and also a witness to the sign-Dec. 28, 1943, also bequeathed Paing of the will. He said that he tience Budd, her maid and a memwanted to ascertain from McKin-ber of the religious sect, personal ney her physical condition preced-effects valued at nearly \$50,000.

To her brother, Dr. William H.

Sundays when it is illegal to serve Reagan, an attorney, obtained a a summon, does he visit his king- show cause order to examine Patience Budd and St. Mary Bloom, a member of the Divine sect and one of the two persons named as executors.

The order, the attorney said, charges that Father Divine exerted undue influence on the aged woman and that Patience Budd frequently took Mrs. Lyon from her home to various of the sect headquarters in spite of her condition. The large - Improvement Asked what action was planned

to offset that of members of the family, Father Divine said that any such action would have to be decided by trustees of the two churches named as beneficiaries.

Had Served Long

Explaining the bequest to Patience Budd, Father Divine said

ployed for years as a housekeeper and later, when Mrs. Lyon's health Questioned about the bequest of began to fail, served as the aged Lyon of New York, 85-year-old He revealed further that Mrs. white recluse, to two of his Lyon, a trustee of both churches, churches, Father Divine declared first became associated with the

Sheldon, reported at present in Rome, and \$2,500 houshold and personal effects to "my faithful and devoted friend," Patience Budd.

The rest of the estate was left to the Father Divine Missions "to be used in such manner as its duly constituted representatives shall deem proper."

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The rest of the estate was left to fore Judge William T. Collins.

In addition to her bequest to the famed cult leader, the 81-year-old widow also left a \$3,500 car, \$2,500 tar, \$

the Palace Mission Church and Dr. McKenney said, he saw Mrs. Home Inc. of Brigantine, Pine Lyon at various ones of the peace missions and at the resort mission at Brigantine, N.J.

Irene West Says Queer I hings The agro-american Baltimore, md. Sat. 9-14-46 Happen at Divine Meetings

Other Spiritualists Fear Vibrations at Meetings Might Throw Their Mediums Out of Whack

By IRENE WEST

Father Divine's popping into print from an altogether unexpected angle recalls my own experiences in his Peace Missions some years ago

I had arrived from London as manager of England's most famous trance medium, Horace S. Handling, and Mrs. Handling, known as the medium's psychic battery, who were to give trance lectures in all branches of the Society for Psychic Research.

These English mediums were naturally interested in the occult power that had enabled Father Divine to attain such astounding results. They believed him to be a psychic with a master "Guide" and surrounded by a powerful, etherial band of spirits who had worn dark skin in earth life and who furnished Father Divine with great earthly power.

My interest in Mr. Handling was as a lecturer of the most awe-inspiring and lofty idealistic spiritual philosophy I had ever heard or read in books.

It was the first time I had heard of Father Divine. The stories of him, going the rounds at the time, were certainly intriguing Out of sheer curiosity a companion and I started out investigating and attending Peace Missions at which Father Divine spoke in person.

I talked with many of his fol-I'll never know, but she did notture. lowers, young and old, white and doubt Handling's mediumship and Brother, I have heard a lot of colored. What struck me most for believed in the power of spiritmusic in my day—Toscanini frencibly was their absolute sincerity guides. zied me in Paris, along with thouhypnotism, such as I had seen in Moon Trail, who had even caughtmusic of Father Divine's followers India.

The Magazine and to hypnotism the fancy of Life Magazine and to hypnotism.

India.

I recall meeting a very intelli-the New York dailies, on the congent, middle-aged English womantrary, refused to allow his Medium who was in charge of Divine's (Mr. Handling) to attend a Fapolitical forum where I had heardther Divine meeting, telling us many testimonials by white fol-that the vibration at Divine's meeting, the properties of the properties of Father Divine's followers who had journeyed all theings were so powerful that Handling was speaking. I was seated about half way down in the hall way from the Pacific Coast to seedling might be taken out of his way from the Pacific Coast to seedling might be taken out of his about half way down in the hall Father in the body.

Singling out this lady (whose ing at me or with me?) name doesn't matter) I put the When 8,000 Sing Father kept on talking and to question squarely up to her: "Do One of my own experiences exit I would have to pass very you mean to tell me that YOU threw a scare into me. I don't near him, standing at a banquet recall the name of the hall in table. I feared to walk out while New York but 8,000 persons press he was speaking. Those near me "I KNOW he is God or he could ent were singing spirituals. Father noticed my anxiety and nervousnot do what he does," was her Divine was seated on the stage ness and told me to go ahead, stern reply. That silenced me. I surrounded by a staff of white at Father would understand. When 8,000 Sing

concluded they were at least not torneys and secretaries.

I told this lady about Mr. Han- and everyone was fanning them my breath lest my leaving be in-dling and asked whether she would selves with something. Father terpreted as an insult, and I be care to attend one of his trance arose, raised his right hand, and mobbed; but instead Father Dilectures. She was indeed inter-those 8,000 voices silenced instant vine bowed to me graciously and ested and said: "I will ask Father ly—he said: "Use white handker I found the courage to say: "Thank if I may go along with you to a chiefs only." As though by magic you, Father."

a sea of white handkerchiefs were

rather evidently gave his con-waving.

They are certainly a peaceful sent, for she phoned me the news I was squeezing my way through and a date was set to meet at my an impassable aisle down to the front for a closeup of Father.

They are certainly a peaceful lot, I thought, to let me off so easy. My leaving was so tormible.

An Hawaiian foster son of mine As the music and voices swelled accompanied us. Stepping out of in volume, my senses began to the taxi at the lecture hall, Sonny swim— I felt as though I were later no scandal ensues, he will properly started to pay the driv-being levitated, my feet not touch not only be God to his followers in the followers are not send us out I glanced when the father sends us out I glanced with the father sends us out I glanc "When Father sends us out I glanced upward and the optibling says in his poem "If"—if he ing: "When Father sends us out I glanted up that there was no can do thus and thus, what is roof over us and that the audience more, he'll be a Man! pay our way."

roof over us and that the audience
What her report to Divine was was being caught up in the rap-

body for keeps. (Are you laugh-knew I must take leave to keep a very important engagement.

Father kept on talking and to

I did, and as I passed within It was a hot summer evening three feet of their God, holding



They are certainly a peaceful His vibrations are so intense that other spiritualists are afraid.

Assistant "god" Says Philly Understanding Reason for the Move

Palace, says Rudolf Smith, Father's not many visited it. Most of the dollars the universe over. You paid receiver.

Harlem representative. Father furnishings have been removed: back bills, such as relief, that were The telephone trick proved too comes to us on Sundays, je " said Smith 2_16 46 : before The

Ithough many people still support Father Divine and his movement here in New York, most of them to not understand the 1—A thirteen-room dwelling in "But until you get your right of angel is Julio Pfister, a Swisspurpose of it. "Philadelphia under-1—A thirteen-room dwelling in "But until you get your right of angel is Julio Pfister, a Swissstands Father's economic program," fashionable Sutton Manor here franchise as followers of mine to American who says he still has a stands Father's economic program," fashionable Sutton Manor here register and vote with names in bullet in his head from World

symposite tic. Part of the increase. The house is at 176 Farragut ing any charity to any institution in finances. he said, has gone Circle, near the homes of Supreme and enterprise whatsoever until we around the world to establish mis- Court Justice Lee Parsons Davis get recognition.

Stay your hands in the act of giver reiterated tenet: "Peace! Peace! Peace! Peace!" Feace! Peace! Peace! As for the telephonic pulmotor around the world to establish mis- Court Justice Lee Parsons Davis get recognition. sions in Finland, Switzerland and Surrogate Charles H. Grifin South American countries. "The fiths. Opened in 1939, the "heaven" Church owns sixty million dollars flourished for several years, but in vine is the fact that his followers hausen had risen after a tele-

with no money was described by \$26,000. his disciple, who said that faithful father Divine's Former tollowers showered their leader with everything he needed in his mortal Heaven Sold For \$26,000 existence. "His people give him NEW. ROCHELLE," N. Y. clothes, cars, houses and everything (ANP)-A 13-room "heaven," he could possibly want," Smith said. former property of Father Di-There isn't anything he could need vine, that they aren't ready to supply," a local banker. 54 he protested, "but he won't take The "heaven, a dwelling in money." Still Father Divine lives in fastionable Sutton Manor near Philadelphia where people "under- the homes of Suprem

The Father Divine plan for better Surregate Charles H Griffiths, economic conditions and true was opened in 1939 by Father protherhood is a big point with Divine and housed his angels Rudolf Smith. He maintains that for several years. 2 - 16 - 46 the church is more interested in Recently it was vacated and the church is more interested in these things than in the big meetings and loaded festive boards that purchase formerly marked a get-together at the mission on 155th Street. "We work on a cooperative basis, th stated, "both here and in the eign missions." 2-16 - 4 6

Father Divine may be able to on the cooperation of his many irches and the goodness of his thful, but Smith relys on a more business in New York although spirit of the times, rather Divine, Zurich,

VANDALS ATTACK 'HEAVEN' list known as "God" to his follow- Father Divine-whose slogan is a

Neighbors reported today that the cause of "disrecognition" here.

mansion that Father Divine Still irked over disrecognition opened in 1939 at 369 Park Hill generally. Divine in a recent serAvenue in an exclusive residential mon, as reported in his newspaper siah hasn't come to Switzerland & opened in the company of the target of taids set times to cease giving money to any in-ready export market here.

Several windows have been stitutions or charities until the city, "Heavens" have been established to be a stitution of the control of the cont

from New York to Philadelphia, the bought the twelve-room residence my millions of dollars," Divine as "God Almighty, The and expansive grounds for his cried, in his new kingdom. "You Creator, The Maker" and affirmings three times a week at locklanding, rew persons lived there and of thousands of dollars. Millions of into a corpse through a telephone Palace, says Rudolf Smith, Father's not many visited it. Most of the dollars the universe over. You paid receiver.

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Cults (Father Divine ____ eneral)

st like DIVINE PROPERTY SOLD outlawed, only by my spirit and much for the Swiss government, my mind permitting you. Franchise Right Denied

distranchise you and deprive you angel of Switzerland.

Angelic Names Taboo

worth of property around the recent months the dwelling has are not permitted to register and phone receiver was placed near the world," Smith declared, "but Father been vacant. During the Father vote under their angelic names, the corpse's ear so that emanation to be a cert from it."

Just how the evangelist gets by riet E. Oripe. It is assessed at Lovely Peace, Redeemed Love and believe the departed soul to its restore the departed soul to its restore the departed soul to its restore. such names appear on the deeds to the various heavens bought for

From an earthly point of view, part of the disrecognition of which Father Diving Divine complains-and which sent him scurrying to Philadelphia—consists of a court judgment here in New York, the result of a suit brought by one of his female angels who rebelled against him and de- - More than 5,000 Swiss citizens . manded a return of money—several regard New York's Father Divine thousand dollars—she had con- as "God." according to G. W. thousand dollars-she had con- as "God," according to tributed to the Divine cause.

Because of this judgment, as yet unsatisfied, the canny little Negro terpretation of "peace, it's wonkeeps out of New York except for derful," as he peddles the dioccasional excursions on Sundays, vine cult newspaper, "New Day,"

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Windows Smashed in Yonkers most of whom are stablished in were in hot water with their own of the New York Times.

Property of Father Divine a rapidly expanding "kingdom" in Philadelphia, where Divine now makes his headquarters. He moved takes the reactionary view that the New York in 1942 be- dead cannot be awakened by tel-

area here, now is anoccupied and The New Day, exhorted his flock himself, but his cult has found a

which has banned distribution of went on to say Banker Buys 13-Room Former You were not legally required the local edition of Divine's news-Heaven' in New Rochelle to do so. But now, since it has paper "New Day," edited by 80- been an issue some states try to year-old Jacob Greautmann, arch-

Greutmann's assistant arch-Smith said. "In fact," he went on that housed a "heaven" of Father register and vote with names in "Pennsylvania approves of it so Divine has been purchased by Le-which you bought bonds and paid much the governor was at the last roy Frantz of this city, banker, income taxes. I am calling a strike big meeting."

Smith hurriedly went on to explain that New York was not decreasing in its membership, but that the other state was just more that the other state was just more. The house is at 176 Farragit ing any charity to any institution.

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The Call

ZURICH, Switzerland .- (ANP) Lam, one of the "angels"

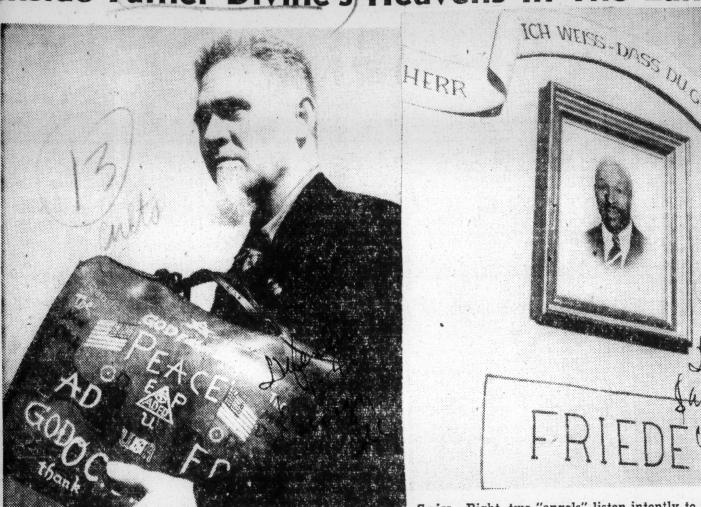
Lam, who yodels the Swiss inwhen the authorities can't touch wrote the organization's by-word him. "Heaven." 5

Translated literally, scription reads "Sir, I know that you are God-Peace." Lam also has "Divine" writing on the fence around his Zurich home and as decorations on his briefcase.

"New Day" recently was ban

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Inside Father Divine's Heavens In The Land Of The Alps



In Switzerland, where there are no Negroes, Father Divine "the Harlem Messiah" has 5,000 followers. There are Divine "Heavens" in some dozen Swiss villages, and the cult issued a magazine until recently. Above (photo left) bearded G. U. Lam uses his briefcase as mobile billboard for the Swiss Divines. Center, on the wall of the Zurich heaven hangs this photo of Father Divine with the legend, "Father, we know that you are God," in



Father Divine's Cult

PHILADELPHIA, J PHILADELPHIA, July 19— (UP)—The City Election Bureau today refused to register 100 followers of Father Divine when the members of the local peace mission insisted on using their spiritual names only.

The bureau previously ruled the mission members must register their given and surnames, as well as their spiritual names to be entered on the voting list, Sat.

Mrs. Grace Foltz was the only o member to register. She joined S the mission recently, and has not been given a spiritual name.

Counsel for the members said the bureau's ruling would be appealed. 7- 2 9 46

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lowers, young and old, white and colored. What struck me most forcibly was thier absolute sincerity. I thought of it as a sort of mob hypnotism, such as I had seen in India.

I recall meeting a very intelligent, middle-aged English woman who was in charge of Divine's political forum where I had heard many testimonials by white followers who had journeyed all the way from the Pacific Coast to see Father in body.

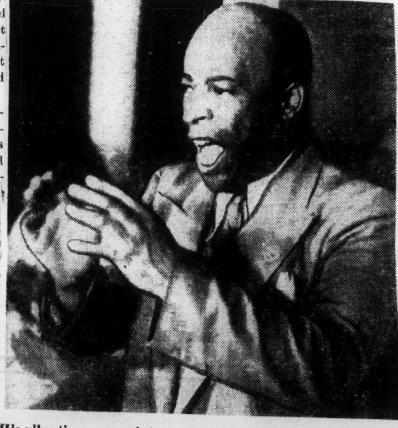
Singling out this lady (whose name doesn't matter) I put the question squarely up to her: "Do you mean to tell me that YOU believe this man is God?"

"I Know He Is God"

"I KNOW he is God or he could not do what he does," was her stern reply. That silenced me. I concluded they were at least not hypocrites.

I told this lady about Mr. Hanfling and asked whether she His vibrations are so intense that other spiritualists are afraid exit I would have to pass very would care to attend one of his An Hawaiian foster son of doubt Handling's mediumship table. I feared to walk out while trance lectures. She was indeedmine accompanied us. Stepping and believed in the power of he was speaking. Those near nie Interested and said: "I will askout of the taxi at the lecture hall, spirit guides. Father if I may go along with Sonny properly started to pay Mr. Handling's Indian guide, kerchiefs were waving.

the driver but she would not have Moon Trail, who had never I was squeezing my way body with common sense and Father evidently gave his con-it, saying: "When Father sends caught the fancy of Life Maga-through an impassable aisle down woman on the face of this earth > sent, for she phoned me the newsus out he gives us plenty of zine and the New York dailies, to the front for a closeup of God. I also say any Christian E g



What her report to Divine was his Medium (Mr. Handling) to

Hypnotized by Music

As the music and voices swelled in volume, my senses began to swim- I felt as though I were being levitated, my feet not touching the floor.

I glanced upward and the optical illusion was that there was no roof over us and that the audience was being caught up in the

Brother, I have heard a lot of music in my day-Toscanini frenzied me in Paris, along with thousands of others, but it took the stands of others, along the stands of others, but it took the stands of others, along the stands of other stands of oth music of Father Divine's follow-\$ ers to hypnotize me completely.

position at a meeting where ness and told me to go ahead,

I did, and as I passed within my breath lest my leaving be in-

vine bowed to me graciously and I found the courage to say: "Thank you, Father."

you laughing at me or with me?) When 8.000 Sing

One of my own experiences threw a scare into me. I don't call the name of the hall in York, but 8,000 persons present were singing spirituals, father Divine was seated on the stage surrounded by a staff of white attorneys and secretaries.

telling us that vibration at Di-

vine's meeting were so powerfu!

that Handling might be taken

out of his body for keeps. (Are

It was a hot summer evening and everyone was fanning themselves with something. Father arose, raised his right hand, and those 8,000 voices silenced instantly-he said: "Use white handkerchiefs only." As though Father was speaking. I was seated about half way down in the hall when, glancing at my watch, I knew I must take leave to keep a very important engagement.

by magic a sea of white hand-

A Peaceful Lot

They are certainly a peaceful lot, I though, to let me off so easy. My leaving was so terribly urgent or I would never have done such a thing.

And now Father Divine takes a bride—a la Mary and Joseph If later no scandal ensues, he wil not only be God to his followers but to the outside world, as Kipling says in his poem "If"-ife he can do thus, and thus, what \$ is more, he'll be a Manl

Calls Divine Defender Followers Fools and I had to laugh when we read in the Call of Father Diving getting married and his wife call ing him God. We call the heath ens of South Africa fools for the want of common sense. We have plenty of heathers and darn fools & 3 right here in America.

Those people who call Father Divine God are making fools out E 2 3 of themselves. Where in the Holy w Bible do you find anything about Father Divine being God? I think . . . it is a shame and disgrace for any- o person who calls this earthly man God ought to be dead and in hell.

It's like the old story I used to

Negro evangelist, recently married to a white Canadian girl, with inciting violence.

The editorial, entitled "Peace Is Wonderful," follows:

"There is a hint of violence in the latest utterance of Father Divine," Negro evangelist, who has the temerity to call himself God.

Cultists Objecting to published pictures of his white bride and himself as 'vulgar' in an interview with reporters, the pudgy proprietor of socalled 'heavens' warned the

since my followers represent many Peace Mission.

type of religion is surprising, if lex. not dangerous. Cameras do not Commission clerks on duty inlie as a rule. Perhaps in the pictormed the Divinites that they tures the flamboyant evangelist ould only register under Chris-

sees fit, and people are privileged Furthermore, the followers said wealthy visitors. He said he re- was perfectly content in her poverty, and if she ever thought of a ceived a grant at Harbor Island pauper's grave it was entirely without misgivings," Mrs. Garrett and sold several tracts to Ameridans. He will return to the when he speaks of riots overPeace Mission, they said.

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when he speaks of flots over the spending strivialities, he is treading upon A member of the group inditime in this country, he said

and will not be tolerated. There-migh ensue, he intimated. fore, it behooves Divine to put restraint upon his tongue and refrain lowers and their addresses were:

from inflammatory admonitions to Privilege Kingdom, 210 M.

Exile' Returns to U.S.

Because G.O.P. Won

Januarilly Mrs. June. 11-12-46

Howland Spencer, of New York

November 5.

Spencer, who has been living Spencer, who arrived here toat Harbor Island, Eleuthera, day, said he had kept his home
Bahamas, said the election "shook on the Hudson and was now he is only the
me out of my hermitage." me out of my hermitage."

"These are the first words of returned exile," he told re
"He said he would make the body." "I de-

Was F.D.R.'s Neighbor.

He used to live on the 500-acre, Luxurious 'Doghouse.' estate called "Krum Elbow,"

PHILADELPHIA

Sixty followers of Father Divine newspapers not to provoke his fol-were barred from registration on Friday by clerks of the City Regis-"'I do not want to turn my fol-tration Commission because they lowers loose, though it would not insisted on registering under annecessarily be a race riot,' he said, gelic names given them by the

The third time in three years "Statements like that have an that members of the cult moveominous import. That publica-ment have been refused registration of bridal pictures should pro-tion on similar grounds, it was the voke such a choleric outburst on initial occasion that they have ap the part of the aging leader of the peared en masse at the commis people attracted to his peculiarsion's office in the City Hall An

detects things which may lead ian names. The cultists replied him to suspect that he is something hat the only names they had

cated that perhaps the registra-Riots are against the peace of thetion commission had not heard the community for whatever reason last of the matter. Court action

those who follow him. Unless he Privilege Kingdom, 819 N. 41st practices moderation, there may be St.; Harmony Love, 2052 Catherine trouble in his heavens. As the St.; True Faith, 1411 Fitzwater originator of the slogan, 'Peace, it's St.; Faithful True Love, 728 S. wonderful!' it is appropriate to call Broad St.; Son Joshua, 764 S. Broad St., and My Son Truth, 759 Chadwick St

Miami, Fla., Nov. 11.—Howland Spencer, of New Yorktold the AFRO Wednesday. and Palm Beach, who moved to the Bahamas in 1939 be Publications that headlined the God setting himself forth as Fo cause of a feud with President Roosevelt, said today that recent marriage he had returned to the United States for the first time in of should reeight years because of the Republican election victoryfer to him in the cult leader Father Devine, for his future as George Spencer, who has been living cult "heaven." Baker, who calls

trip on the schooner "Wind- nounce the self-

Spencer said he had not been

"retaliation" against President Formerly Rich White Believer Roosevelt, he moved from the the late late and Infrared States to the Bahamas.

He chose for his "exile" an in Father Divine Dies a Pauper



HOWLAND SPENCER

"Under the Constitution, Divine vere the ones that Father Divine island east of Nassau, site of a have both material wealth and spiritual happiness, and I don't besees fit, and people are privileged Furthermore, the followers said wealthy visitors. He said by lieve she ever regretted her decision," Mrs. Garrett observed. "She Bahamas after spending some

By MABLE ALSTON

Michaux Terms Father

just whom she married."

-A Miami white woman, who was thought to

have followed Father Divine's teachings from a life of plenty to one

of dire poverty, was scheduled for burial in potter's field here, last week, unless former friends responded. Father Divine's New York

headquarters failed to acknowledge a telegram sent them by the

Bess Funeral home, where the woman's body lies, directors said. Thought to have been a Divine cultist, the woman was known in the community as "Truly America," a name supposedly given her by Father. It was revealed that she was Mrs. Peggy Matthias, formerly

wealthy resident of the exclusive Dallas Park district, here.

Death came to "Truly America" on Friday after she suffered a heart attack in the home where she had worked for her room. Mi-

ami followers of Divine scoffed a little at the news, declaring that

"true followers" never die. At the Miami mission of Father Divine the two women who preside over it, "Martha Love," colored, and

"Beautiful Wonder," white, said Truly America wasn't really a

member. They recalled that the 250-pound woman often came to

the mission to eat. Often she had no money for the 15-cent meals,

they said. "But they always eat, money or no money," Martha Love

A Homebreaker, a Devil

Commenting on Father Divine's ' ban on marriage for his followers, 5 he said, "No matter what good a go man may do, if he breaks up a go ivine Devil Incarnate'
Baltimore, Md. Sat. 8-14-46
Young Bride Says Father Is 'Lamb of God;' home he is a devil, for the home be is the foundation of civilization in every nation."

Elder Michaux, recently purchased a building taking up a guarter of a block in Harlem on 145th St., between 7th and 8th He Calls Himself 'God'-Which? Asks Elderaves., at a cost of over \$100,000

"Let no man deceive you by any to be set up as a "Boy Town". means: for the return of Christ Pastor of the Church of God in Father Divine is the devil in will not come except there come Washington, from which his weekcarnated into a human body and falling away from church first; ly radio broadcast is heard over should be labeled "the false" Eland that man of sin be revealed a national hookup every Sunday, der Solomon Lightfoot Michauxas the son of perdition, Elder Michaux has been married radio evangelist with a interracial "Whosever that opposeth and ex to Mrs. Mary E. Michaux for 40 Elder Michaux has been married

following throughout the countryalteth himself against all that is years called God, or that is worshipped; Divine Orders

Doctrines Violent

Elder Michaux also questioned PHILADELPHIA - Protesting Pather Divine's actions in light of the U. S. Government underwritult doctrines, pointing out thating British foreign policy, Father the cult leader stated that MotherDivine, self-styled "God" this Divine No. 1, was dead when seek week ordered all his followers of ing a marriage license and, also cash in their War Bonds,

he is only the devil incarnated into a human body." "I denounce the self-styled "Father Elder Michaux Ritchings, stated "that she had Father Divine said, then the gow-Divine," he added, "not because Fither Divine contends that he is of his followers.

believe intelligent people as God. whole accept him as God, but tha estate called "Krum Elbow," Spencer said he had not been whole accept him as God, but that across the Hudson River from the in the U. S. since 1939 when their faith may not be weakened their faith may not be weakened to the left faith ma Spiritual leader of thousands of

declared. "We sleep the sisters, too, when they haven't got money." Mrs. Ida Garrett, who had known the dead woman as "Truly," & explained that she wasn't really a cultist, but a former New York \ \ \exists newspaperwoman, whose interest in the Divine cult had begun a no when she worked on Divine stories back in the 20's. Another acquaintance expressed the benchmark have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have have had been she first came to Miami was either given away to have had been she first came to Miami was either given away to have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have had when she first came to Miami was either given away to have had been she first came to Miami was either given away to have had been she first came to Miami was either given away to have had been she first came to Miami was either given away to have had been she first came to Miami was either given away to have had been she first came to make the had been she first came to have had been she first came to have had been she first came to have had been she ha quaintance expressed the belief that the money Truly appeared to

PHILIADEDPHIA. Aug. 7.— If I had not known as GOD knows all things, I would not have known it was going gro religious leader who moved to be said. But it is perfectly all his "heaven" here from Harlem in right. I have nothing to regret! 1942, was married April 29 in Washington to a girl listed in person in mortal consciousness marriage records as Edna Rose would get married, they should Ritchings, 21, white, of Montreal, not find as much fault in the

vine's secretary, "Martha Blessed seed. And it cut in four parts! marriage is to propagate virtue after. It may grow!
... and to give the whole "Therefore, I find no fault. I

called his various properties Jeminah-like woman." "heavens" for his followers, who take names such as "Prodigal "Tree of Life" etc., when they embrace his cult, the motto of which is "Peace, its wonder-

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Albert E. Shadd, who said in Washington today

the Virginity of Mary!

night (Father refers to the eautiful remarks of Mrs. Divine)

"I have often taught, if a

Canada.

Confirming the marriage, Di-fourth of a grain of a mustard said here today this If that is there before, how about

nation a new political and re-AM well pleased!"

ligious birth of freedom."

Little is known public Little is known publicly of The license records disclosed Divine's first wife, known as that Divine gave his age as 41, "Mother Divine," except that her his status as widower, and his first name was Peninah and that address as Philiadelphia. He has he was described as "an Aunt

> ON/INTERRACIAL MARRIAGES Subject: The Life of the Virgin and the joy; how the degeneration of the bodies of many had ceased Lamb — FATHER DIVINE

is something that I never dreamed honor that is mine in serving be pleased to have an interview and bounteous source of GOD'S of and I know you never dreamed in the capacity as minister in with Him on the following day storehouse.

"FATHER Dear, because I her because I have all interview and bounte in the capacity as minister in with Him on the following day storehouse.

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The subject of the capacity is not because I have all interview and bounte in the capacity as minister in with Him on the following day storehouse. KNOW YOU ARE GOD, I re-lieve that the choice was surely me that He would not be in Phil-

Me to reign with YOU, I thank physical philosophy autitle 1673. Me to reign with YOU, I thank how withing a book of the Training School at 13-17 West YOU to always be pleasing in physical philosophy entitled 'The Training School at 13-17 West YOUR sight and a fit example of Man of the New Era" in the 128th Street, New York, on the YOUR sight and a fit example of lifetime of the Virginity of Mary!

effort to further the work of a afternoon of April 28th, the day as lifetime. So, when a few months prior to the ceremony in Washllows:
"You all heard something to-ago I was given a few copies ington, D. C., I was royally received and given a seat of honor

at the banquet table. On this to be just this because it is the visit I was able to behold the purpose, as expressed by FATHreality of this Holy One's great ER DIVINE, to bring a new work. Surely none but GOD birth of freedom as called for could do the things that He has by Abraham Lincoln and that done and is doing—providing truth, justice and righteousness homes for the homeless, food should reign. homes for the homeless, food should reign. fatt-Ju-ul for the hungry, regardless of As explained in "The New present status or condition, re-Day", it was through Mother forming criminals of every type Divine that the result of that and description, establishing marriage has been the birth of love and brotherhood, healing new spiritual entities into the sick of every known disease of bodies of millions, rendering mind, restoring life and youth them free from division, vice, to millions of people, regardless crime, sickness and death, and to whether they are followers or that it had now become necesnot. I have heard testimonies of sary that this marriage of a how many were healed of can-perfect virgin, perfect in mind, cer after they were pronounced body, personality and virtue to 5 incurable by the medical doc-inculcate the perfect spirit of tors: how many suffering from Mother Divine, and that a new heart trouble and many of the birth may be consummated, givinfirmities of age have beening the world freedom, justice, cured and have ben rendered so equality and righteousness. happy that they would shout for (Signed) Rev. Albert E. Shaddjoy; how the degeneration of

the bodies of many had ceased and men and women became healthy and strong even though and strong even though and strong even though and strong even though a since passed the some of the confusion concernized that EATHER DIVINE that he is a Baptish minister some of the confusion concern-ized that FATHER DIVINE I saw men and women and boys ing the moral, ethical, religious was One of great wisdom and girls brought together in a significance of this marriage thoroughly developed alon gthe and allay suspicions and the lines that I had given a lifetime trace, and demonstrating love of study. Hence, my desire to conclusions, I, Rev. Albert E. Shadd said all details of the ceremony were "confidential."

The Angust 3 issue of Divine's "New Day," which is published in Newark, N. J., reported the following as a speech by the following to the fol dained in Boston in 1914. ing the moral, ethical, religious was One of great wisdom and and girls brought together in

The subject of the marriage, solomnly sworn, not to bind YOU as a woman would natural man, but I free YOU to love and bless or no contact with the Divine whomsoever YOU desire to bless, Peace Mission Movement, although when and when soever; for I had been a student and lectit is my heart's desire and pleasturer of the occult and metanity is my heart's desire and pleasturer of the occult and metanity is my heart's desire and pleasturer of the occult and metanity is my heart's desire and pleasturer of the occult and metan as happy as I am, if not of the world where I had stud- Upon my arrival at the Peace wait further word from Him. I happier!"

happier!"

YOU have chosen ied an dgiven lectures. I am even Center & Nazareth Missions' had related to Him my life search for the truth that He was so adequately demonstrating and that I had failed in a lifetime of study to see the teachings of all religions made living realities as He was doing.

This interracial marriage had

ored, I would have known that bride that would be pure and spotwas Father Divine. I can't recallless as a lamb that could be of-

"Since I missed the story, I'mtion glad Matty picked it up.'

Marriage Revealed

in Published Sermons

White Bride Reported to Be Young, Wealthy

WASHINGTON - (AFRO Nathe cermony was performed by a ional Bureau)—Father Divine is Washington clergyman is found thank you. married—his bride a young white in the following passage from an. "The only reason you do not en ly task but Father Divine isn't woman, one of his angels, and saidother sermon. Ballumore majory it even as I do, or as she does always lonely.

to be wealthy, whose real name is "The conscious thought would be used by the called in reporters from two

secretly here by a Washington sidered by millions to be the even as we are one, that you a clipping of one of his photo-clergyman believed to be, the dean of the universe that Rev might be one in us."

Rev. Mr. Shadd, one of the lead-Doctor Clayton Powell would have

Rev. Mr. Shadd, one of the lead-Doctor Clayton Powell would have an Divine s rau ers of the local cult.

All these facts whispered in clergyman to perform the cere the light - American undertones for sometime by mem-mony. bers of the cult were confirmed "But it could not be. It was Rises From Dead by the Harlem messiah himself in obliged to be one whom I had been a confirmed to be one whom I had been a by the Harlem messiah himself in obliged to be one whom I had the current issue of his official anointed for that purpose a ZURICH, Switzerland—"Mother" Truth is, the photo actually was organ, "The New Day," which John the Baptist was anointed preached the city August 1.

For 40 years he said he (the Rev Divine, Father Divine's first wife, in court to answer charges made who died some years ago, "has by one of his former angels."

Every cult member rushed for 'Work of Spirit' risen from the dead.' copies as soon as they reached the "I did not know him personally According to the two thousand city, but refused to discuss with He said he was coming to me in white members of the Divine the cult. established here, the white

"but you will have to be able Then Father Divine's secretarin the flesh again," interpret it for yourself." The confirmation is made piece-

er's lengthy sermons in which hein that particular place you hacofficial organ, translating the Eng former one, is "in name only." to know who was going to perlish into the German.

form the ceremony before you say now that which was pre-could be married. came through a virgin, and Im out that in maculate birth, according to the

"If I had seen M. J. Divine coluniverse over to find a virgin had to be in Washington, the nad was Father Divine. I can't recallless as a lamb that could be of "And it had to be done by somether Divine's chief representa records of a county clerk's office are more any time recently when we havefered up to the church for the one authorized by the Supremetive in Switzerland, told the press mundane as a usual thing. The preceding had mixed marriages here, so it redemotion of the world as I had Court, as well as the church, and that they worshipped Father Di-has never been necessary to look established the church on the he (the Rev. Mr. Shadd?) had also vine because "he is the second at the top and bottom of the paper to make certain that colored peo-to make certain that colored peo-ple are involved. Millions riage ceremonies."

The mar-time one authorized by the Supremetive in Switzerianh, to in the press mundane as a usual thing. The preceding had court, as well as the church, and that they worshipped Father Di-lady god, Mother Divine, "seemingly de-tomake certain that colored peo-tit was fullfilled. Millions riage ceremonies."

Supreme Court to perform mar he is a difference between the presence was about the father all the time

She Knows I Am God'

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esus personified by the legal "And before I did say as much "You can imagine how I feel "Some may say, why Jesus was I am saying now, even to you, ter having Father Division." after having Father Divine's mar born out of wedlock and how my staff, or cabinet, I thought to riage license in my hand four cometh the Father to marry? But contified carry of the certificate months ago and having the op did I not say through the prophet certified copy of the certificate portunity of being the first one toof old 'He shall magnify the law there might not be the slightest falling down on the ich

ish indulgence or human affec vances. Even though from April 29 un-Rose Ritchings, one of his secre-

she can tell you (The bride then the certificate, you see, it is justlast April and were wed. swered.) 'Because I know you time there could not be anythinging "Father" to so many angels. wonderful. are God.' "

One writer, attempting to ex-

Therefore, I gave them plentyplain this, said: "That was the reason. Not be of time to try to find any flaw, if cause she thought I was a goodthere would have been one of anyequal to anyone. He must alman or because she thought Isort but they could not find one; ways condescend. would appease the human fancies, therefore, it is verified." watched by adori watched by adoring eyes. The 'It Is Wonderful' tendencies and pleasures but beHe said to secretary, "Sure, inat night, in the darkness. . . . It is

cause of the knowledge and the recognition that she knows I am spite of all they would want to dois delightful to be looked upon as Education of the could not find any." At that perfection . . . but there is no established to the Father replied, "It is won-cape."

"That is why she wanted to the Father replied, "It is won-cape."

marry me and that is why she did cerful. Wonderful. Wonderful. That's why, I understand, Father replied, "It is won-cape."

Therefore, you have something to there Divine sometimes gets up to the could not find any."

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Therefore, you have something to the provided not find any." Passed Up Powell praise God for. Hence, you during the middle of banquet fest of Confirmation of the report that hould rejoice with me, for I have tivities and shuts himself up in

found my sheep that was lost. This room or takes a walk alone. "The only reason you do not en-ly task but Father Divine isn't

have been that as I am an internaling to deny yourself and be unhe called in reporters from two The ceremony was performed tional political issue and am con selfish and unbiased and be one white newspapers to show them

Said Father: "Now. you see, if anyone would read the appearance

outsiders the revelation couched Philadelphia. Just picked up thought, established here, the white in the mysterious language of the phone and said he was coming Virgin Mary whom he married refather Divine has taken another wife. It goes to show you it was deficently in Washington, D.C., is only This time it's a white girl from Canada. "The story is there," they told nitely the work of the spirit." the "colored" Mrs. Divine back She's changed her name and is now known the flesh again.

White "angels" here last week among the faithful as "Sweet Angel." But "It was wonderful that heread Father Divine's latest ad God does not need matrimony, says the meal in half a dozen of the fath-called from Washington, because dresses printed in "Our Day," august Divine, and this marriage, like his

Leaders Extoll Father

y now that which was pre"Some places you could go with each other, "Aren't you glad?" sistency in the revered father's set of reckthrough a virgin, and Imthe birth, according to the sidifferent."

Leauers Exton Father

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every atom of our body and soul!" ture into matrimony occurred on June 6, 2

And why is it humanity cannot the just had to be on record who vine."

derstand just as explicitly that was going to be married and it jacob Greutmann, founder of Sich Divine's self-declared immortality

Perhaps immortality does not need to

Marriage: It's Marvelous

"... God cannot speak as an

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n and Albert alesen. Fa arises an age is but a day, although the "Heretofore, we could either recognized my Diety. The mar in there is no difference between the presence was about the father all the time is a difference between the presence was about the father all the time is no difference between the presence was about the father all the time is the university. In revealing his marriage to hishuman races." Sat 10-17-16 — "holy virtue untouched by mortality," he if it says white I just pass that ginity of Mary and the holiness of the lamb is the university staff in Philadelphia heaven, Fasheet.

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So life moves on. After the other war our civilization was graced by the presence of Amy McPherson. Now we have Father Divine. The pattern repeats. Amy kept us gasping for many years with her antics that falling down on the job. "When and why was it? Why chance for doubt, or even a re"You bet your life when I go did she want to marry me? You action of a person that would to the bureau, I will look at the might ask if you wish. Not for bring up a question to prohibit or himself a wife.

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Yes, being "God" can be a lone? E



Father Divine, Harlem cult leader and self-appointed god, takes "young lamb," 21-year-old Canadian, Edna Ruth Ritchings, for is bride. The couple were married April 29, but according to the stocky cultist, it is a marriage "in name only." Divine preaches a doctrine of the "pure life" and celibacy to his flock in widely scattered Divine heavens.

NAME ONLY The Defender

PHILADELPHIA — Hisoride, said that he does not aparriage to a 21-year-old prove of the marriage. However, he is reconciled to having "God" anadian white girl, the for as his son-in-law. Expressing himner Miss Edna Rose Ritch-self as being surprised over the

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"It was described this week marriage, Ritchings said:

"It think Father Divine's cult is a union "in name only" by wonderful outfit. They really have done a lot of good . . ."

"It leader and self-styled God. Ritchings' wife consistently retire of celibary and the pure life The Department of Immigration to his uncounted flock of angels and Naturalization revealed last all over the world, angrily de-week that the bride—now spiritual-nounced news stories of his mar-ly named "Sweet Angel"—is in riage as "distortions" and "incrimi-this country illegally. Department natingly vulgar" He warned the spokesmen said she entered the press not to "provoke" his follow-country on a 29-day visa, Oct. 7, ers, adding, "I do not want to turn 1945. at Rouses Point, N. Y., later the youthful, new Mrs. Majorwas denied.

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Bride's Father Approves Charles A. Ritchings, Vancouverband can perition to have her remain here without any difficulty. Elder Michaux Caustic

In the meantime the question of the Negro mystic's new marital status receiving the ranction of his flock has provoked considerable comment. It is reported that the whereabouts of his first wife, referred to as being dead by Father Divine, was still a doubtful matter to some. Holding no reservations in criticizing the marriage, Elder Lightfoot Solomon Michaux, arch-enemy of Father Divine, and well-known radio evangelist, declared war on the Father, charging;

"For Divine to stoop to marrying one of his 'angels' is a let down of his own doctrine . . for angels do not marry." Definition of the control of th mocracy, Americanism and Christianity to a new birth of freedom predicted by Abraham Lincoln."

Father Divine, who demanded strict conformation to celibacy among his "angels," told his Philadelphia flock that his second marriage had the divine approval of his first wife, Mother Divine.

"She wants everybody to love me just as she does. I cannot be bereaved," the Father said in ref-erence to his first wife. "Trace your thoughts back to what mother said over and over again," he admonished. Thursdo, Illinoining the cult many Di-

vine followers reportedly separated from their mates in order to live an "undefiled" life and reap a real "peace" in the Divine manner. In the cult's hotels, summer camps, and apartments women and men live in strict separation-conmuning only on a spiritual level.

Spiritual Courtship

Describing the spiritual court ship in his publicity organ, Divine said: Saf. 8-17-46
"One came — the bride — the lamb's bride — a spotless virgin

bride. My spirit drew her from across the borders from another country . . . without my telling her; without my personal request for her to do so."

The surprise nuptials were conducted by the Rev. Albert L. Shadd, in the reverend's home. The new Mrs. Divine was "beautiful—one of the angels," accor

ing to Mrs. Shadd.

Recently greeting her in Philadelphia, the "Sweet Angel" entone Father dear, peace, ever publicly thanked "Fat" great blessing and ho marrying the lamb

DIVINE MARRIES

Union With Canadian Girl Stirs up Daily Press to Thinly-Veiled Aspersions

By JOSEPH D. BIBB=

(The views expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily express the editorial it leaked out that Father Divine was married to Edna Rose Ritchings, a 21 year-old Caucasian from Vancouver, the white press avidly grasped the incident and subjected it to sensational, salty and spicy importance.

The Associated Press released a dispatch last week that was feverishly revealed in bold and prominent print by the apes." In the islands of the Pacific, American white papers to the efect Africa, everywhere, white feet that "the five-foot, bald-pated Americans have freely consorted to "Mother Divine"?

In the islands of the Pacific, What Happened to "Mother Divine"?

egro" evange-t, who styles himself God, had narried "a beautiful, blonde Catures of the newen prominent position by the press of this American Democracv

Sarcasm, irony, ridicule and resentment have been boldly re-vealed in the stories, and it does not appear to the writer that the playup of the

incident has been

cult. But he does know that the radically wrong in the thinking of little evangelist of swarthy skin mankind.
has made famous the slogan Far too much importance is "Peace, It's Wonderful." This ex-being placed upon human flesh and pression has become a by-word in blood, and far too little upon Spirit, the English language. Neither Soul and Consciousness. Mankind,

bombastic doctrines of the so-called of "Peace, It's Wonderful."

TATHER DIVINE may be a charlatan and a hypocrite. But it has never been proved. He may be a charlatan and a hypocrite. But it has never been proved. He abides within "the peace of the people." He has fed the poor, aided the cick, establishment on earth, and despite the shafts of care without successful legal intervention. His marriage to a member Divine has insisted upon a sex from your Savior."

NEW YORK—While it has been and "diviation would eventually gling of the white and colored has insisted upon a sex from your Savior."

While Father Divine has retion. His marriage to a member Divine has insisted upon a sex from your Savior. Frivolities Banned wrath solely because of the Cauca-has never been definitely estable wrath solely because of the Cauca-has never been definitely estable of the world consort with women in the August, 1939, Father Divine, of cosmetics, liquor and cigarettes proposed the world consort with women for the darker groups without been fit of clergy.

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The white man in his arrogance and superciliousness seems to feel that he has the divine right to defile and demoralize the women of the darker races, but becomes in-furiated and incensed when some man of color is legally and law-fully united with a woman of

Superficial notions of "supremacy and superiority" have so corrupted and contaminated his thinking that he, like Father Divine, seems to deem himself God Almighty.

FATHER DIVINE'S marriage would, perhaps, not be to the choosing of this humble writer, but it is no national calamity. Indeed motivated by have done far worse. The light pure, journalistic ethics. The issue records of our divorce courts should of race is obviously injected with tend to prove that marriage of unrestrained bitterness and acri-whites to whites has resulted in This scribe knows little about many wise men are distraught over Father Divine and his religious the institution. There is something cult. But he does know that the radically wrong in the thinking of so much disaster and sorrow, that

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far-reaching moral effect of the to be bent upon, not only destroy-expression. When Father uttered ing himself, but everybody else on those words, they fell full in the earth. All the newspaper commotion face of a turbulent world. We are over the wedding of a colored News of Father Divine's recent marriage in Washington'to one of his fold that there is peace in Father evangelist and a white stenograph-angels, reportedly young and wealthy, has raised the question among Divine's flock. No sound reasons or reveals that man is sordid and observers of "what has become of Mother Divine" pictured here with have been advanced to deem him morbid. "The Gentleman Talk of the cult leader several years ago. Did Divine, who has repeatedly-brought forth more brotherly love Let them if they can, destroy the bedroom, change his mind? Did he secure a divorce? These questions only Divine himself can answer.

Leaders in world peace.

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The intensified religious hysteria

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J. Divine

It would be easy to dismiss Father Divine as a fantastic anachronism... an isolated aperration of social disorder. But to do so would be to ignore the real significance of the manand his movement. "God," last week confirmed reports, first published exclu-social hatred as sively in this newspaper, that he had taken unto himself asonal integrity bride, he precipitated a snowball of controversy which, even are some of th as this is written, continues to grow.

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They see in it a forerunner for the eventual lifting of the sex taboo in the Divine kingdom and attribute this reaxation to the cult leader's realization that greater physical reedom may attract a larger spiritual following. This he

6 movement, members of ract a larger spirit 6.8 - 17 - 4 days of the Divine

- AND THE ANCELS MEET Sylander Chicago, Ill. Angels in Harlem "Heaven" indicate healthy, whose April wedding was revealed last week,

earthly appetite, despite awe as they meet the also have no ethereal taste where food is convery special "Sweet Angel," 21-year-old white cerned, judging from the dish passed between bride of cult leader. Father Divine. Couple



Father Divine's recent bride, the former Edna Rose Ritchings of Van-

couver who has received an immigration visa allowing her to live in the States permanently. Father Divine, the cult leader who is called God, told the AFRO in Philadelphia this week that he was amazed the necessary details were handled in such a short time and Mrs.

Father's Wife Can Now Live Here

Divine was required to remain in Montreal only a few hours. The marriage last April of Father Divine to his white "angel," was first published in the AFRO in August.



New York, N. Y. 8/19/46 RITCHINES, 21, blond Montreal Stenographer; in Washington, April 29. Father Divine, who discourages friendship between the sexes, emphasized that the marriage was "in name only," like his first, to the late "Mother Divine." The bride, known as "Miss Sweet Angel" among the faithful, joined the Vancouver, B. C., "Heaven" last year. 8/19/46



Father Divine and his towering bride

District marriage license records

J Divine, Harlem religious leader,

was married here April 29. The

records described the bride as a

Father Divine listed his age as

Since April 29, it was revealed,

have occasioned a furore when it

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'In Name Only-God Not Married,' Screams Father Divine Taking New Blonde Bride

and Negro evangelist who assumed members said.) the mantle of immortality in 1932 Divine, in an address to the wedmarried a beautiful, blonde 21-riage would help to "carry from

The marriage to Miss Edna Rose brings misery and failure." Ritchings in the Washington home "I would like to emphasize that of the Rev. Albert L. Shadd, Ne-this marriage of mine . . . (was) gro Baptist minister, was revealed not to propagate vice and crime

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father," "It's true," screamed his followers, chanting and singing marriage in a sermon in Philadel, virtue and to give the whole na. him \$6,000 and was unable to get and clapping their hands.

Divine, whose various proper- Divine approved. ties are known as "Heavens" and s "Prodigal Son," "Tree of Life," "Miss Charity," etc., said he was at the time. 'not bereaved" over the death of

Spirit Lingers

"When Mother Divine seemingly deceased about three or four years ago, her spirit was about me all

among followers of the cult in The Department of Immigration at least 70 years old, but is agesaid she left Montreal last April has overstayed her visa.

Mrs. Divine sat unmoved at the According to a spokesman for the Father has been having a heaven-

Small' Banquet Held

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the wedding cake. ("Big Banquets" out any, difficulty." PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 8- last more than five hours with as Tather Divine, self-styled "god" many as 300 courses served, cult FATHER DIVINE

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late first wife—Mother Divine—Cult Leader and Canadian Girl, had approved the marriage.

Leader and Canadian Girl, wed in Capital in April

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (U.P)delphia: He told his followers his a 21-year-old white girl from name as Edna Rose Ritchings, of first wife and he were married "on Montreal, Canada, last April 29, it Montreal Canada."

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A marriage license was issued Divine insisted that he placed four days before the ceremony to the spirit of his first wife de-

Baptist minister. The Rev. Albert L. Shadd, Negro, married the couple at his home. he ser- Mrs, Shadd described the bride as Blessed Love," said in Philadel-"Thank you. bride wa wealthy. Thurs 8-34

Father Divine referred to his phia last week. He said Mother tion a new political and religious

Members of Father Divine's whose followers take such names peace mission headquarters here were not informed of the wedding

the time—holy virtue untouched -Father Divine's bride is in this Philadelphia, Aug. he asserted country illegally. But here probab-filtered down from The new wife, better known ly won't be any trouble about it. 'today that Father Divine, who is

Montreal by her spiritual name and Naturalization here last Friday less because of immortality to of "Sweet Angel," formerly worked night revealed that the 21-year-old his thousands of followers, has in a costume jewelry establish- Canadian white girl, to whom the taken a mortal ment in the Canadian city. Friends cult leader was married in April, from Montreal

wedding banquet occasionally department, the girl entered the ly honeymoon in this, his home murmuring aloud the word United States on a 29-day visa, heaven, and in the score or se "Peace." ("Peace, It's Wonderful" October 7, 1945, at Rouses Point, other heavens he has scattered s the motto of her husband's New York, Later, it was said, she through New Jersey, New York, applied for an extension which was and the Eastern Seaboard. denied

The guests ate what followers However, Thomas Shoemaker, heaven seemed surprised that the described as "a small banquet" deputy commissioner of the depart- news that the pudgy little Negro four meat courses, chicken, fish ment, said the bride faced no

flavors and two cakes, including at all times, her husband can peti-available for worldly questions tion to have her remain here, with- later.

Married By Negro Minister.

Blessed Love," said, riage is to propagate virtue . . and to give the whole nation a new political and religious birth of freedom!" hurs. 8.8.46
Father and Miss Edna Ro

Hitchings were married in Washington by the Rev. Albert L. Shadd, a Negro Baptist minister The marriage license was issued on April 25 to Major F. Divine, Father's worldly name, and Miss Hitchings.

Divine is believed to have been born George Baker in South Carolina at some obscure date aound 1875 .-

Wednesday disclosed that Father

NEW YORK, Aug. 12-(AP) by the Negro evangelist's followers in Tarrytown, N. Y., and New York City. The Harlem reception inwoman"—in the person of his sec-listed his former wife, Mother Di- by the Rev. Albert E. Shadd, a ties of meat and fish, including of the should that the should that the should that the should be th fricassed turtle, were served. Divine's secretary, "Martha,

In recent years Father Divine has on come to New York only on Sundays of when legal papers cannot be of when legal papers cannot served. One of his former "an-. "This marriage is to propagate gels" has charged that she gave back the money.

At a news conference after the Harlem banquet, Father Divine repeated he and his bride, the former Edna Rose Ritchings, of Montreal, are married "in name only" and escorted reporters on a tour of the living quarters at the peace center. -He led reporters through his elaborate bedroom and then said:

'Now I will take you to Mrs. Divine's room. I want you to know that it is not my room.

Father Divine also denounced, some newspaper stories about him and objected to use of the word 'Negro" which he said "is incriminatingly vulgar and is a distinct distortion concerning me.

Mrs. Divine objected to some photos of the couple.

"It wasn't necessary to show him so black and me so white. The difference isn't that great," she de-clared. Manday

Father Divine said he had saved many of his followers from and crime and sin and debauchery" and warned that unless the "distortions" of him stopped "I will withhold my prohibition powers and maybe they will commit crimes as they used to.

"I do not want to turn my followers loose though it would not necessarily be a race riot since my

Dispatch

this white father out on the west coast, bastardy would re-Father Divine and His Bride her husband for photographers and ceive a great setback down in Dixie and human decency would Father Divine and His Bride her husband for photographers and one of them asked the couple to make rapid advance here in America. The time must come here in America when black women receive the same respect Are Hosts at 74-Course Feast

and honor as females of other complexion, and the black woman who wrote the Black Dispatch her "scorcher" apparently TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Aug. 11—
does not realize that respect for femininity is a two-way (UP)—Father Divine was host totrack. Why should white men respect black women more day at his heavenly mansion here track. Why should white men respect black women moreday at his heavenly mansion here than black men respect white women? Who is it having theto more than 1,000 "angels" who right and responsibility to enter the individual identity and viewed his white girl bride and tell nearly who they should like and leve? tell people who they should like and love?

We ran the pictures of Father Divine and his bride inceiling proclaimed as "God's Holy the columns of the Black Dispatch because it is news in this Communion Table" the T-snaped uncivilized land when a black man marries a white woman banquet board at which "Sweet It would not have been news had rumors been afloat that a sixt leader, sat on his right. Negro had been caught in a rooming house or some servant's The meal included 15 meats. The quarters with a white woman, or that some white man hadguests sat down 200 at a time been discovered consorting with a black woman. This sort for the feast, which the host of relationship has existed here in America in a clandestine, bell. immoral and illicit way across the centuries. In America The 21-year-old bride, the forrace relations that are moral and legal constitute news. No mer Edna Rose Ritchings, of Monone holds interest in traditional laisser-faire.

Just one other thought. The lady who wrote her caus-flowers in her shoulder-length tic criticism of Father Divine, called Mrs. Divine a "pecker-blonde hair as she descended the wood." We suspect the writer of this letter would faint if mansion stairway on the arm of some white person were to call her by one of the usual cog-her bridegroom. bearance ourselves we insist other races should have, bright-joy.

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THILADELPHIA, Aug. 8 — (P)—are known as "heavens" and whose Father Divine, self-styled "god" followers take such names as and Negro e angelist who assumed "Prodigal Son." "Tree of Life," "the mantle of immortality" in 1932 "Miss Charity," etc., said he was "Tree of Life," as the leader of a religious cult, "not bereaved" over the death of low It Happened

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bllowers, chanting and singing and Father Divine himself at a gatherclapping their hands. ing at the Circle Mission Church-Divine, whose various properties cult headquarters—here on July 29,

Gold letters suspended from the

treal, was dressed in a floating

The guests chanted "Here He ever, asserting that pictures taken of him and his bride in Philadelphia had been "distorted and perphia had been "distorted a verted."

Philadelphia residence. She moved later to Montreal and in July, 1945, went to Philadelphia, where she became one of Divine's secretaries.

Few "Angels" Oppose The majority of Divine's followers, who gathered as early as five p.m. at the church, approved the

marriage, but a few "angels" op-posed it. The Informer "Father Divine preaches for his followers not to marry and then he goes against his own teaching," one "angel" declared. "How can you believe in a man such as that?" Houston, Jarles

He said, however, that he would not drop out of the church because of the marriage. Sat. 8-17-46

But the majority seemed to think Divine was "immunt" and accepted the marriage without question.

New York, Aug. 11 (AP)-Returning to his Harlem Sits in His Majesty," and Father "heaven" for a banquet with his white bride and 500 of Divine responded with short his followers, Father Divine tonight denounced newspaper newspaper photographers, how-stories and pictures of him as "distortions" and "incrimi-

the newspapers not to "provoke" sarily be a race riot since my followers represent many races."
Lectures Press.

WASHINGTON. night and explained to his curious Divine, who is 70, said his mar-she said. "The difference isn't wife - Mother Divine - had ap- Mrs. Divine sat unmoved at the but faithful followers how he hap-riage was not a mortal one "be- that great."

> but the marriage aid not become known until last week because the license was taken out in the rame of Major J Divine, his real name. The cult leader, accompanied by his blonde bride, was given a tumultuous reception by 1500 faithful followers at a "Holy Communion Banquet" in Peach Church, Inc., at 126 Howard

Calling the union a "marriage in name only," Divine said it had the a wrist watch on the other. A lowers from lives of crime and approval of Mother Divine, his first pearl necklace encircled her neck excessive of sex and liquor. wife, who is dead, and "was a re- and an imitation gardenia adorded production of the spirit of Mother her hair.

D.C.-(NNPA) - spirit in the body of Miss Ritch-week in Philadelphia after the

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"human affection, self-indulgence, robbed him of his "birthright, last April 29 in Washington, D.C., lust, passion, and all of those de-rights of liberty and the pursuits testable tendencies."

Throughout an interview in dress and black teather belt with or a cracker." butterfly buckle. She also wore a Father Divine said he had "re-

He lectured the press at a news conference which was attended by his 21-year-old bride, the former Edna Rose Ritchings of Montreal. She objected to some pic-Divine and a reincarnation of her tures of the couple taken last announcement of their marriage.

"It wasn't necessary to show him so black and me so white,"

to happiness.

Throughout an interview in Divine's second floor private office adjacent to the banquet hall, Mrs. Divine sat next to her husband but did not speak. She wore a black and white silk jersey print would call you a dago or a kike or a careful black teather helt with The cult leader added that he

plain gold wedding band and two deemed" many persons through diamond rings. There was a his hard work in the past 12 or "slave" bracelet on one wrist and 15 years, saving many of his folThat Heavenly Fish Fry
Then, oh what a fish fry there will be in the green pastures alongside Hampton Roads!

Men have many ways of revealing who sells "blessed" herbs to his their delight in the Christian miracle at followers at the House of Prayer Easter, but none celebrates that miracle for All People, here, owes the with a more genuine and touching jubi- United States Government \$15,130 lation than do the followers of ELDER in income taxes for 1944 and 1945, Solomon Lightfoot Michaux each Easter penalties and interest, after paymonday on the banks of Hampton Roads at Newport News. When that happy morning rolls around, the followers of has been assessed an additional the elder from all along the Atlantic \$1,640 fine for late filing, deputy sephoard stream to the seashore in bases. seaboard stream to the seashore in buses, internal revenue colectors said. A private vehicles, and on foot to celebrate lien against his church property with joy the third appearance of Jesus was filed last week with the reafter His resurrection, when He came to corder of deeds by James P. Fin-His disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, in- negan, internal revenue collector. viting them to dine with Him.

Happiness is Elder Michaux's key to salvation, and in the Easter Monday fish Religious and charitable organism it is peculiarly appropriate. In the fry it is peculiarly appropriate. In the zations are exempt from Federal twentieth annual "fry" last Monday at taxation, but Green's House of Newport News, he gave a theologian's Prayer is considered a business or explanation of the current shortage of ganization and as such is liable for fish, pointing out to his followers that its income. "As to my being deschools of fish will come in after Easter linquent in income tax," the Monday. "They come," he told them, "to "prophet" explained "it was not celebrate Gop." As he brought his ser-meant for a tax evasion, but was mon to a close, the four choirs which due to inadequate secretarial had come from New York, Philadelphia, work, and merely an oversight."

available), and lard and cornmeal to fry payment on purchase of a city them with, and they filed to one of the block for \$30,000 on which will 130 fires which had been lit and began be erected a new church, was to fry away. Young and old took turns made here last week by Bishop at cooking, and a thousand pounds of Charles Manuel (Daddy) Grace, raw fish and 150 pounds of lard were founder of the House of Prayer for soon consumed. Bread and lemonade All People.

tion to thousands each week in person into homes for war veterans. and on the radio. To him, the Easter He heads numerous progressive service at Newport News is in the na-churches along the Eastern Seature of a homecoming to the city where board. His headquarters are in he lived as a boy. In those days, he says, Washington, but he is kept busy he packed croakers by day and studied supervising his religious domain his Bible by night. Today he is one of which stretches from New Engthe most colorful religious leaders of his land, through New York and New race, but however famed he has become, Jersey to Virginia, the Carolinas the elder has stuck to certain funda- and Georgia. mentals. The basic one is happiness. Next year, the elder promises, he will hring a haul seine to Newport News so

disciples can wade into Hampton Roads and lift their own fish from the water, in the manner of Jesus' followers.

frying fish, and over numerous small wood fires in an open field stand the Low's faithful, skillets in hand, watching the croakers sizzle in the grease. Through the little bands of the anointed strolls the dark-skinned patriarch, greeting brethren and sistren. "Come and Dine," sings the choir, "Come and Dine." Page 18 Prophet So Prosperous' He watching the croakers sizzle in the grease. Must Pay Uncle Sam \$18,000 Must Pay Uncle Sam \$18,000

Finnegan asserts that the building

had come from New York, Philadelphia,
Baltimore, and Washington, burst forth
with their joyful song, "Come and Dine."
Then the faithful redeemed their
tickets entitling them to cleaned fish
(pogy, this year, for no croakers were
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were passed out to supplement the meal. A month ago, the hishop announced purchases of other properties amounting to approximately \$25,000 in Charleston, S.C.; Sacities preaches his light-hearted salvacities preac

test meeting held by 85 of the "They who shall repeat this ing. congregation's 500 members on "They who snall repeat this ing.

February 4. He apparently ac- peated. or keep it about them shall Spiritualist Temple here, with 500 California, where he is pastor of never die a sudden death."
the Metropolitan Church of Prayer Prophet Green sued

at Los Angeles 2.2/-y for tax evasion.

The congregation then elected ST. LOUIS —1 the Rev. Arthur Alphonse Smith, ST. LOUIS - Prophet Harvey also of Los Angeles, as pastor Ambrose Green, pastor of the On February 9, the parishioners Church of the Holy Name here, petitioned the circuit court to has been sued by the government transfer ownership of the church for "overlooking" \$20,129 it in-

from Green to the congregation, come taxes, it was about that he wired one of his week. faithful flock to slap a padlock on the front door. On Saturday night the church members broke the lock and the strike began.

Green flew here Sunday by private plane from California for a surprise appearance at morning services. He mounted the ros- He trum and told the congregation:

"Jesus forgave and I forgive." Or so he says he said. Members of the congregation said he

"I speak evil of no man Green said today. "I respect the Rev. I Smith." In the next breath he announced he had filed a \$100,000 slander suit against Rev. Smith in California.

alifornia. 2 - 2 - 6 "He called me a female impersonator, among other things," the

DALLAS-A 19-year-old youth, eader who as found shot to

Cults (General) Long dead: cult

ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 20—apartment last Sunday morning. (UP)—With hallejujahs and hosannas ringing, the prayerful site portedly has been arrest allowers credited with miraculous of and part of the jewelry an which were taken to Long's credited with miraculous which were taken to Long's left his earthly "Kingdom" here church for four days and nights, the loot were four diamond rings, the sitdown to provent the diarch in money.

Green, From locking them out. Green said they could stay as long as they prayed. They prayed and stayed.

Prophet Green was ousted as was a card on which was printed mint to appear. Near the body and the shoot-mint to appear this prayer:

ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 20—apartment last Sunday morning. Woodrow F. Long, 26-year -old woodrow F. Long's prediction for the religious cuit leader, whom follows and mental ills, 25-year -old woodrow F. Long's p

revolver, missing after the shoot-

cepted the decision and went to peated, or keep it about them shall Spiritualist Temple here, with 500 or more members and several thousand admirers who contributed generously to the cause, first encountered trouble last June when he was indicted by the government for fraud and moral turpitude. The fraud charges were dismissed because no witness would appear

Among those coming here to his funeral was his father, Thurman Long, of California.



against him, and the grand jury "Daddy" Grace, bishop of the House of Prayer, is sketched here as he returned "no-bill" on the morals looked during a visit Sunday to his Baltimore headquarters. Bishop Grace said he flew across the Pacific twice in one night in a gasless plane to stop atomic bombs on their way to the United States.

to accompany his body to the burial

The funeral program scheduled the Reverends Alekander and Stevenson as being in charge of the rites.

Informer reporters were assigned 5

to cover every angle of the "mys tics interment. 2 - 9- 42

d Mother Horne Disc Bill Bailey, tap dancer par excellence and brother to the very talented Pearl Balley, will dance no more, according to an antold them to get out in very nouncement made by his personal manager, Sol Shapiro of the illiam Morris Agency N, Bill did not break a leg or even a rib.

le merely got religion and from henceforth he will be a devoted follower of Mother Rosa Horne, high

prophet complained.

The prophet said he was praying just like the strikers, "but I doubt if we are praying for the same thing."

And I I Pray For You chart.

Bill, who comes from Philadelphia, has been dancing since childhood and reached top billing in the show business. Bill Robinson, the king of taps, said that Bailey HOUSTON—A comes closest to duplicating his style and small group o rela-authentic taps than any other dancer in tives and followers the business. Dispensing talent is com- watched the casket monplace to the Reilang Sixture to containing the body monplace to the Baileys. Sister Pearl moved containing the hody into the really big time league with her outstanding performance in St. Louis Woman at about the same time that Bil decided that he would devote his life without Si the dance to saving souls.

whose identity is being kept feet still when Mother and her brood start Ward, where Woodecret by the police, asserted tooking the church with their rhythmic row F. Long had It's going to be hard for Bill to keep his whisked it to Fourth

priestess of the Pentecostal Church on Slain Cult Leader Lenox av and 132 st. It is from this locale that Mother Horne and be congregation broadcast her famous You Pray For Me Brought To Houston;

And I'll Pray For You chart.

moved from inbeam

dent at Booker T. Washschool, graduating in 2-9+146

Dixie's dition of "ather Divine," the colorful cun leader was fatally sl.ct in Dallas Saturday, January 36th. A 19-year-old suspect has been arrested by Dallas police in connection with his murder.

"Father" Long's body was scheduled to be motored to Washington, Texas for burial. Upon arrival in Houston he was carried to Pruitt and Pruitt funeral home on Andrews. where he lay in state until the cortege left for his final rites. A crowd estimated at 2,500 viewed his remains, reports received at 5 p. m. Monday asserted.

Devoted to their leader from "Alpha to Omega," a motorcade of 18 cars carrying followers of "Father" Long arrived here Monday morning



A shiny trombone in the hands of Bishop S. J. Johnson, pastor of Philadelphia's Lord Jesus Christ Church, proves a source of fascination for little Gale Pennsyl, who has been temporarily "adepted" by the church. The pastor says that the white baby, 14 months old, was left in the church two weeks ago by his mother. The church will continue to care for the infant until police can locate the parents

week of the tragic end of the spirit-happened and how it happened.

armed rebergy of able cultistwas to pay \$10 a week, due each ho was look of dead in a skingdom Sunday until I paid out the \$100. I. the army. But by that time we having 2 and 3 dates a week, it was not going to go to be dead arly Sun-wanted the mojo because I had were having 2 and 3 dates a week. This was beginning to make me he were having 2 and 3 dates a week. This was beginning to make me he were the grant of Fithen Long, of the stateboys were telling me what good had regular nights, Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday. After saying that he army, I do not know what kept after Long and the results of you good luck. So many of the hurt in the pit of the stomach We He knocked and Father Long let I went into the closet for the whising and the results of you good luck. So many of the hurt in the pit of the stomach We He knocked and Father Long let I went into the closet for the whising and the provided see that I did not go to the state boys were telling. There was my first a result of the mojo and other things they wished to calch the last car so that when was where Father Long always got a carcing that he knocked and Father Long let I went into the closet for the whising and the provided see that I did not go to the state down into the kitchen-upon the line. There was my first a result of the mojo and other things they would see that I did not go to the state and at from the rebox, drank thought of taking anything. There are a lot and committed sod my without go it is, I said, Take the bag and all." I would see that I did not go to the state and at from the rebox, drank thought of taking anything. There are a lot and committed sod my without go it is, I said, Take the bag and all." I would see that I did not go to the state and at from the rebox, drank thought of taking anything. There are a lot and committed sod my without go it is and mojo powders. I would see that I did not go to the state and at from the rebox, drank thought of taking anything. There are a lot and committed sod my without go it is and mojo powders

me down for me to have luck. This me out, maybe Father Long. But I on him with other women and his happened after I had tried to use might not have passed if I had wife," in isted that Reed must stay the mojo in gambling and had not never seen Father Long. had the good luck I expected. And "However, after I stayed out this line for a so Father Long told me to come Father Long charged me \$150 for made a nove back the next Sunday. I went back keeping me out. and pulled my clothes off so he "And although by this time I could rub me down. It appears he was having pretty good luck gambso Reed stated.

So Reed stated.

Reed declared that at the point of Reed declared that at the Reed declared that the Reed declared that at the Reed declared that th only fondled me that night and this out in \$10 a week by use of his a gun he went on and did what asked me to come back Tuesday threats and by this time I knew Father Long told him to do and got night." Sat. 3.30.46

had no knowledge that Father Long Reed supplying the manhood. waited out in the lobby.

stated. And when he returned that Long often gained enough strength pound him on the head.

Tuesday night, Father Long, after for him to make a good effort at "It was more or less luck I was

dles on me. This was just the be-money. ginning of the threats. He threat"There was always a period of side. I did not know what he was He told me that anywhere I go in preparation before we went into the going after, and pulled the trigger without coming for me by his pow-radio music, soft and low and dim

dates, Father Long repeated his drunk. All this would be after all I had shot him. threats

lieved this because he would gen that was all regardless of how it erally insist that I come after was paining me.

all night The argument went along this line for a while and when Reed to leave, Father Long pulled his pistol and with it cocked, commanded Reed to get in the bed.

that was to keep me coming out in bed. Father Long laid down a first and Reed laid down in his arm and no knowledge that Father Long

Sodomy By Mouth first and Reed laid down in his arm ? was trying to develop a sex rela
Reed was asked in detail to dein his arm he looked over at the tionship with him, especially since scribe these dates with Father gun in Father Long's hand and got the friend of his who carried him Long, how they did the sex act he frightened again and thrusting his out to Father Long was doing this was talking about. From the picture-knee on Father Long's arm, he was But Reed stated that he went out sque explanation by Reed, they able to take it insomuch as Father that Tuesday night as directed and committed sodomy by mouth Long was using one hand to hit go him over the head. He stated that, "All of this happened in the few Reed said his determination to while he lay in Father Long's arm months before Christmas," Reed end this love affair with Father Father Long would continually

having him pull off his clothes, pulling away. But stated that all able to take that gun for I was sure

made the advances that brought on the time Father Long was breaking weak," Reed stated. the first sex relationship. The act his will power down and would Although I had the gun in my was not done that night but every- find some way to renew his fear of hand, Father Long, seeing I was a thing that would pave the way for him. Father Long finally threatened weak and did not know what I was it was stated that by this time he was Father Long cursed me and said "After Father Long made it clear sufficiently under Father Long's when he got through with me 1 2 that he wanted me," continued control to believe that he could would get in the bed. Father Long Reed, he then threatened that if I and would and that he kept on was then in bed and Reed was told anybody he would burn can-giving Father Long the dates and standing up beside it, pistol in hand and cocked. Cursing more, Father Long wheeled to get up on the other

He told me that anywhere I go in Sex act. There was almost always once." Sex 3 4 4 1 Texas he would bring me back sex act. There was almost always once." I Was Sorry ers and do whatever harm he want- lights. But most of the time the "I was afraid when I shot him ed to. These threats kept me wor- two of us would drink bit by bit but the moment I did it I felt rentil we were both plenty fulldieved from a grip that had enslaved "After we got started having Many times we almost passed outme and grew more and more sorry

the maids and attendants had gone "Father Long fell "Aside from threatening me if I Long and me.

and nobody was there but Fatherwhen I shot him. went and got a rag and ome water and wiped a rag and one water a rag and one water and wiped a rag and one water a rag and to the floor

tell anybody or stophaving the "I had to undress and seldomhis face after picking him up and and dates he also threatened harm to knew when I was going to be simp-putting him in the bed. He shievme if I would stop paying him his ly required to give a date and geered all over for about 10 minutes. or when I would have to stay all I did not know I had killed him "I was determined all the time to night in bed with Father Long. as I did not intend to After I break off from Father Long after "At any rate we always played picked him up I thought the bullet of

I completed paying him for the around with Father Long fondling went though the side of his head a mojo, for I believed that the forc-my organs and finally when Father and hoped he would live. But after on the mojo has been applied to the mojo has ing me to pay weekly for the mojo Long had himself whimpering and shivering harder and harder, Father DALLAS.—The killer of Fatherin an interview in the county jail and threatening me if I did not almost in a frenzy for love, the act Long suddenly stopped and then I of the county is given opportunity was Father Long's way of keeping would begin and it generally ended knew he was dead."

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week of the tragic end of the spirit-happened and how a ualist leader. "I did not murder Here is Reed's story as he told everybody was gone."

Father Long," declared Williamit:

Kept Me Out Of Army

Guy Reed, who is held in the county "I first came into contact with "Finally time came for me to jail and was indicted ast week by Father Long when I went to buy a report to the draft toward induction the Grand July for the murder mojo from him which cost \$100. I into the army. Father Long insistand the county of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to should be readed by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to should by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to should by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to should be readed by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to should be readed by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to should be readed by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to should be readed by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each each each ed that I was not going to go to should be readed by Father Long at Northanother drink I knew where the sufficient of the cultist was a fraid and did not know that I was a fraid and did not know that I was a fraid and did not know that I was a fraid and did not know that I was a fraid and did not know that I was a fraid and did not know that I was a fraid and di the cultist was to pay \$10 a week, due each ed that I was not going to go to phoned by Father Long at Northanother drink. I knew where the

Ex-Dancer Heads The Sefender Chicago, He. Harlem Church

PHILADELPHIA — Bill Bailey, nationally-known tap dancer, who now "feels better in the pulpit than on the stage," will leave here this week to open a church in Harlem.

The former dancer, whom "Bojangles" Robinson credited with being "his only competition," revealed his plans last week at his mother's N. 23rd st. home here.

"The Lord has blessed me," he said, "and I feel I've got to try to save those who are still dazzled by the lights that lead nowhere."

The new minister is the older brother of Pearl Bailey, who is creating a sensation in the current broadway show, "St. Louis Wom-

"Yes," Rev. Bailey continued, "I've got to get up in Harlem and preach the word." For the past several weeks he has been perfecting his pulpit delivery at the Garden of Prayer Church, here, where Elizabeth J. Dabney, wife of the

pastor, is an outstanding figure.
"It was largely through her prayers that I was converted last January when I was playing the Earle theatre here with Jimmy Lunceford's band," Rev. Bailey confined. Since his conversion, the former dancer has appeared regularly at Mother Dabney's drevivals.

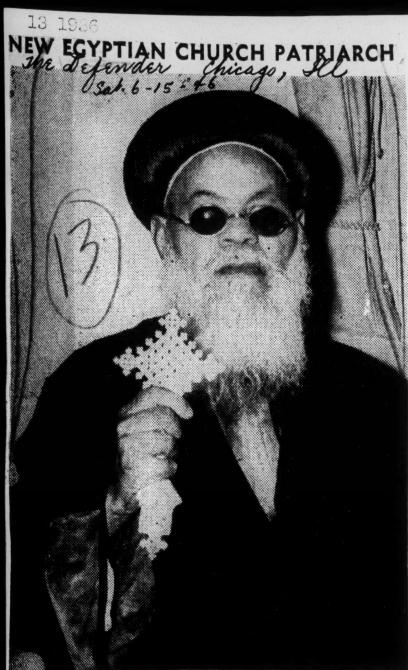
He sits on the back row of the rostrum, under several canes and crutches, evidence of claimed healing miracles performed at the Garden of Prayer Church. When the pleas of the infirm and ailing are mild, Mother Dabney presents them to Rev. Bailey, who exhorts the sinful to "get on a new pair of shoes and travel up the glory road."

A graduate of Reynolds School here, as a youth, Bailey started dancing along the sidewalks of Ridge ave., near the Pearl Theater, where he got his start on the

stage. Pearl, his sister, recently recalled those days. "I just naturally took to dancing on account of my brother," she said. "When I was a little kid I'd go to the theaters with him on amateur nights. He'd dance and get first prize."

Rev. Bailey's mother, Mrs. Ellamae Robinson, is pleased by her son's decision to abandon the stage

for the pulpit. "I believe my boy," said Mrs. a preacher than he was as a



In colorful ceremonies at Cairo, Egypt, Anba Yussab II recently was crowned Patriarch of the Church of Egypt. By virtue of his new title he becomes Coptic Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria, Ethiopia, Nubia and the Five Western cities and of all Africa as well as 115th spiritual descendant of St. Mark the Evangelist,—Exclusive Defender Photo from Acme.

Attended Episcopal Church Conference in Philly Liberia Should Use Own Saturday Medical Section Of Section Philly Inches Conference in Philly Inches Commission Paltimone, med Section Harris

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In the preside



Bishop Bravid Harris, left, of Liberia, relates to Eniscopal ministers something of the church's work in the West African republic at the triennial General Convention of the Episcopal Church, now in session at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. Listening to the bishop are the Revs. A. M. Roberts, center, of Pineville, S.C., and J. D. Epps of Tyler. Tex.

Signs Show More Episcopal Church

Heralding the increased interracialism of the Episcopal Church, an increasing number of delegates to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church at Philadelphia next month will be Negroes, David L. Ferguson, rector of St. Cyprian's Church, Roxbury, Mass., announced this week

Listed among the deputies elected from the valces dioceses are Rev. John E. Culmer of Miami, from the Diocese of South Florida; and Rev. Robert T. Johnson of New Bern, N.C., from the Diocese of East Carolina. Elected alternate deputies were Rev. James King, Arkansas; Rev. James K. Satterwhite, Florida; Rev. Adulphus A. Birch, Washington, D.C.; Rev. Samuel J. Martin of Chicago, and Rev. George M. Plaskett of Newark.

Resources—Bishop Harris

He Tells Churchmen That Ignorance, Disease

Poverty, Forced Labor Prevail in the Nation icants could not be remarried by PHILADELPHIA an Episcopal clergyman for any

The "major responsibility" forcause except in cases where the the development of backward and applicant was the innocent party unprivileged peoples was placedin a divorce for adultery.

squarely upon the United States

Judging Marriage Cases
by the Rt. Rev. Bravid W. Harris, Pointing out that there is no genbishop of Liberia, during the 55theral statement of law which can
general convention of the Protest-judge fairly in every case of matriant Episcopal Church last week. monial dislocation and desire to a

Speaking before a capacity audi-contract a new marriage, the pro-ence at a missionary mass meet-posal lays the responsibility of dis-ing in Irvine Auditorium, the covering whether marriage is bishop denounced "those millionstrue union upon the bishop and who approach their fellows crouch-an advisory commission.

ing on all fours, and those who are Inability to secure travel ac afraid even to approach at all, but commodations for Paris, France arather stand afar off with out-prevented the attendance of two officials delegates to the convention from Monrovia, Liberia, Wes stretched hands." Liberia's Major Problem

The major problems encount-Africa. ered in Liberia, according to Bish-Delegates Delayed op Harris, are ignorance, disease The delegates, both laymen, are and poverty. Forced labor, another Attorney General Cassell and Holling name for human slavery, still ex-Lafayette Harmon, Presidential ad ists there, he said.

Americans are perfectly willing will not arrive in New York City to take the undeveloped wealth of until Sept. 2, two days after the

then these people must be taughtsions of the women's auxiliary.

to use their own natural wealth A product of the Bishop Payne for the enrichment of their own Divinity School, Bishop Harris has lives and ours," the prelate added been in the ministry since Dec. Bi-Racial Commission 1921. Bi-Racial Commission

1921. An important development in Elected Bishop in 1945 the House of Deputies was the ap- He was elected to his office in O proval of a resolution calling for Feb., 1945, and was consecrated in

the appointment of a bi-racial com-April of that year.

mision to stimulate increased par-He was assigned to Liberia last tiicpation of colored laymen in September from his post as secthe established church program. retary of colored work in the home. The resolution, presented by the department division of Domestic Rev. John E. Culmer of Miami, Missions of the National Council,

Fla., requires that the commission in New York City. consist of 12 members, four bish-ops, four clergymen, and four lay-A native of Warrenton, N.C., the consist of 12 members, four bish-

50-year-old bishop was married To Report Findings May 23, 1918. He has no children. So Findings and recommendations At a pre-convention conference of the body are to be reported to of colored workers in the Episcopal the presiding bishop and the na-Church, Bishop Harris and his wife tional council for appropriate ac-addressed the meeting with the re-

on. sult that the men's division con the House of Bishops concurred tributed \$192, and the women's with the House of Deputies inauxiliary appropriated \$100 forapproving the commission, but its Liberia. members have not yet been se

Marriage Issue

A new law asserting that every case should be judged on its own merits was considered Thursday by the bishops during a debate in-volving changes in the present canon on the remarriage of divorced Episcopal communicants. Heretofore, divorced commun-

difference between them.

the Methodist, Baptist, Congregational and Presbyterian Churches.

In some low churches the altar may be no more than an Better ordinary table without candles.

Between these two is the middle church, which takes ground in between.

to by Episcopalian low churchmen.

day with the Catholic Church, and there is a feeling in some Presiding Bishop H. St. George The institute is the national quarters that should a majority of the Episcopalians agree Jan. 1, declared that "Improvement charged with prosecuting an eduthen these high church Episcopalians will walk out.

Back in the sixteenth century, John Calvin, who found the Presbyterian Church, required belief in these five Bishop then officially requested the Henry St. George Tucker, presiding points:

Bishop of the Episcopal Church Institute for Negroes, it was announced yesterday.

Was announced yesterday.

Was announced yesterday.

The institute is the national segmency of the Episcopal Church charged with prosecuting an educational program for Negroes in the Southern States. The chairman church striving to improve conditions in its own community." The of the board is the Right Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, presiding cooperation of all parishes.

points:

1. Predestination.

2. Particular redemption.

3. Total depravity. 4. Irresistible grace.

5. Perseverance of the saints.

Presbyterians do not emphasize Calvin's five points to improvement in race relationships tain during the last war and reday, but when old John was alive it was worth your life tomary responsibility for effecting disagree with him. One man who did (his name was Serve-this improvement rests upon the tus) was slowly roasted alive for hours in a fire at one of the Christian church. The genius and history of our own branch of the church six of nearly 15,000 are maintained for Negroes by the Episcopal early Christian lynchings in Geneva, Switzerland. It was church give to it an unequaled opter tremendously enjoyed by Calvin and a lot of other Presby portunity for leadership in this tremendously enjoyed by Calvin and a lot of other Presby portunity for leadership in this terians present. They didn't call it lynching in those days work."

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Guiding principles for Episcopal It was merely the proper elimination of heretics which Preschurch work with Negroes have byterians thought was required by God and was pleasing tobeen adopted by the Church's Na-

Presbyterians, in 300 years, have advanced beyond Cal-tian worship. There are no racial vin's five points and looking backward now admit Old John distinctions in the mind of the was in error.

Can it be that Episcopalians will require 300 years be Christian fellowship by any attifore they admit the desirability of union with Presbyterians? tude or act in the House of God

Some day all Christian faiths will be willing to compro-which marks our brethren of other mise sufficiently in their creeds to form a united Christian that "Through the privileges of ex-

before it sends missionaries to India, China or to Africa all its legislative assemblies, will Most of these countries have religions as fine as ours. One Negro churchmen be assured that of them, Brahmanism, of India, is 4,000 years older.

Our Christian Church united could aid in the improve church is valid and secure ment of the benighted persons in the United States—the Elected as a Trustee Bilbos, the Rankins, the Ku Kluxers, the lynchers, the poll taxers and all the others who do not practice Christian morality.

Our own country can absorb the time, the effort and the money that many Christian churches devote to the heathen.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—The Mis program, the Bethel AME Church, the Rev. Howard I Moore sion of St. Simon the Cyrenian, the tor, is now assisted by two as-Rev. Donald O. Wilson, vicar, is sociate ministers, the Rev. Therion the first and only Episcopal Church Colbs, now working for his mast ter's degree at Boston University organized by colored people in this city and vicinity. The mission was upon at the local church, and the organized and directed, in its earlest Rev. George J. Richardson. Mrs. ier stages by Bishop Lawrence of Tommie Harris. Tuskegee graduate the Western Massachusetts Diocese. Tommie Harris, Tuskegee graduate, Meetings are now held every Sun- is in charge of the Community Cenday morning at 11:15 in the Dioter and is assisted by Miss Marcesan House at 37 Chestnut St.

garet Henderson, a candidate for her master's in physical garet Henderson, a candidate for her master's in physical education

The low church is closest to the ordinary Protestant in Episcopal Church

(Special) - All A union with the Presbyterian Church is looked forward to their congregations for ardentlaw firm of Carter, Ledyard and support in the struggle to improve the congregation. y Episcopalian low churchmen.

support in the struggle to improve Milburn has been elected to the Put the high church Episcopalians will not have any official recently its national accord Church Institute for Negroes, it

The Episcopal church has a Vi- Mr. Jackson is a native of Nashracial committee on Negro work, ville, Tenn. He was graduated which added its statement to that from Princeton in 1924, and Harof Tucker, affirming that "both the vard Law School in 1928. He has continuance of our own Democracy been active in educational and and the leadership of the United health work for several years.

States in world affairs depend upon He entered the Army as cap-

tional Council. Father, but all are one in Christ Jesus. We dare not break our If the Christian Church had good sense, it would do this ity in church affairs, through fair re it sends missionaries to India Oli their fellowship in the Episcopal church is valid and secure.



op Gregg Weds hildhood Friend

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — The Rt. ev. John A. Gregg, bishop of the ourth Episcopal district of the in the presence of the fami-and a new close riends.

navy suit with fuschia ac-

Naomi Cherot, Miss Beatrice Pen- SPARTANBUBG. man and Miss Eva Dixon return (NNPA)-The Upper South

she was a member of St. Mark's ty-two to ten. A.M.E. church. For a brief period, during her childhood, she atfended the W. W. Yates elementary school of Kansas City, Mo. Bishop Gregg, internationally

prominent churchman and author a book relating the story of his to the fighting fronts during World War 2, and Mrs. Gregg had mown each other since they were children.

Atlanta Raily World

"The jury recommends mercy. . . the law requires A.M.E. church, and Mrs. Melber-suspension, in consideration thereof I suspend you from all McFarland of Indianapolis, duties of bishop of the second Episcopal district until June Monda, December 31, at 7 o'clock 19," ruled presiding judge, Bishop R. C. Ransom, bringing in the event, at the home to dramatic ending the trial of Bishop George E. Curry.

Of the four charges preferred against the bishop, only one—the mishandling of funds—appears to have been sus-The Rev Mr. St war, who pertained. Even there, those close to the situation say that it TULSA, Okla. — "The jury recommends mercy to St. Mark's A.M.E. church was only the bishop's method of handling the monies that the law reguires suspension, in consideration thereof I sustained. Will suppose the charge of mishandling pend you from all duties of Rishop of the 12th Enispecial was under attack. In other words, the charge of mishandling pend you from all duties of Bishop of the 12th Epispocal The bride wore a navy suit, funds must not be confused with the more general charge District until June 19, 1946," solemnly ruled presiding judge, the Eisenberg blouse, with of misapproprietion of funds. Thus, to all intents and pur-Bishop R. C. Ransom, Friday 4 p. m. culminating a historical pure accessories and carried a property of the funds. bouquet of large purple chrysan poses, the bishop appeared to have been called to answer, Ecclesiastical Court of the Okla- Rev. Miller had joined with Rev. bought of large purple chrysan poses, the bishop appeared to have been called to answer, Ecclesiastical Court of the Oklahemums, tearose buds and baby not for errors of the heart so much as for errors of judge-homa-Arkansas A. M. h. church Devers in signing the accusation ment—of the mind. Under such interpretation, the Eccle-diocese leader Bishop George E. Charging Bishop Curry with illesiastical judges were clearly within their rights to pass such curry, of Little Reiseron McAlester. Defense attorney all the simple ceremony of the heart so much as for errors of judge-homa-Arkansas A. M. h. church Devers in signing the accusation ment—of the mind. Under such interpretation, the Eccle-diocese leader Bishop George E. charging Bishop Curry with illesiastical judges were clearly within their rights to pass such this was the first that in the life was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant. This was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the life was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was the first that all counter-attacked alleging was a constant was a constant was a constant

Gregg, Miss Naomi Cherot and no such charges were preferred. And had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterials from Flipper-Key-Curry and had all the physical semblance aterial Mrs. H. E. Harris of Milwaukee. tige of the high office of a bishop and a definite challenge A. M. E. Church, North Greenwood examination that he still had The residence of the Rev. and to the Christian ministry as a chosen field. The whole epi- St. profusion of flowers. The flo. sode surrounding the bishop's clash with his laymen and profusion of flowers. The 110-both and profusion of flowers for the dining ta-ministers turned out to be bad for the bishop, bad for the all over the nation attended the tators roared at the startling reverse and white roses. the was of red and white roses, ministry and bad for the people who are outside the folds Ecclesiastical Court Trial, the first lation and presiding Bishop Ranbreath. There was the tradition of the Christian Church. It is regrettable and singularly held outside a conference hearing som threatened to clear the court.

Mrs. Gregg chose for travelling South Carolina Diocese Bishop and Mrs. Gregg, Miss Admits Negro Delegates

man and Miss Eva Dixon returned to Kansas City on Jan. 1.

The newly married couple will be at home to friends after Jan. 27, at 1150 Washington Blvd., Kansas City, Kas.

Mrs. Gregg, a native of Illinois, has been a resident of Indianapolis for a number of years, and recently moved to Milwaukee, where the was a member of St. Mark's while lay delegates voted for Clerical delegates favored the proposed constitutional gates the right to vote in the genchange, twenty two to one, eral convention of the church.

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Clerical delegates favored the proposed constitutional change 22 to one, while lay delegates voted 42 to 10. Sat 2-2-46

SUPPORTERS OF CHURCH LEADER CLAIM MORAL VICTORY OVER FOES

Suspension Automatically Lifted When Atlantic City Conference Convenes

OCAL PRESIDING ELDER KNOCKED HARD akla.

By MALCOLM S. WHITBY

Nation's Leaders Attend

Philadelphia 159 years 3go.

elders and ministers on four char-buildings to Rev. Morrell? ges, three of which he was found Rev. G. W. Pointer, pastor of an not guilty, and the jury recom Oklahoma City church, was a sur- ≥

ship was much at stake.

amination to reveal an alleged fense exhibit. Oklahoma.

money in his personal bank 72- 50 count "because nobody ordered be

second largest Negro religious The accusing plaintiff and Prebody, established the church in siding elder, Miller was time and: again charged as "deliberately Not Guilty of Three Charges falsifying" when he answered The defendant, Bishop George "No" to Hall's question "Did you E. Curry, was charged by a half or did you not get money for sale E dozen 12th Episcopal District of one of the Flipper-Key-Davis

mended mercy on the first count, prise witness for the defense and & alleging illegal handling of Con-gave the damaging testimony, "Rev. Miller made 3 trips to Flip-Z Defended by Tulsa's prominent per-Curry school with me in a NAACP resident attorney, A. T. truck and stood beside the truck as Hall, supporters of the charged it was loaded with lumber from the prelate regarded the decision as a college." Continuing he said, "I victory for the bishop whose near gave Rev. Miller \$100 for purchase half century of Methodist leader- of this lumber and got this receipt for the payment."

Defense attorney Hall seized A receipt signed by Rev. Wm. every opportunity in cross-ex- David Miller was submitted as de-

"well-planned conspiracy to dis- The Rev. R. A. Devers, of Perry, robe" Bishop Curry and uncovered Oklahoma, who charged the Bishop damaging evidence against two of with illegally transferring him the plaintiffs, Presiding Elder Wm. from a McAlester, Oklahoma post. David Miller and Rev. R. A. Dev- was referred to by defense attorers, former McAlester, Oklahoma, ney Hall as "just another in the pastor, now serving at Perry, palm of the hand of these conspirators, that 'bunch' from Ark-

who emotion said, "I check dated August 29, 1945 and Bishop Ransom issued a strong out authorization-NOT k. . . you've been on said "I still have the 1500 dol-warning and defense attorney Hall TAINED.

caucus group and warned the wit-institution . . . I made it out to E. Rock, returned facing opposing nectional monies raised in an anness to be silent and confine his A. Adams, secretary of the de-lawyers and stated, "The witness nual conference should be turned to the Finance Committee of the finance Committee of the conference and that the conference and the confe to the questioning.

report of development at Flipper-duced as a court exhibit. Davis college, which was highly. The courtroom was electrified trickled from the spectators.

densome assessments" on minis-acceptance in the record on granted each twenty minutes for seems NOT to have been done. The ters and districts, the defendant grounds that the Education de-rebuttal. bishop raised his voice to drama-partment was not the proper reci- The rebuttals went on for nearly the Flipper Key-Davis school was tic pitch and said "I don't believe pient. there is a minister or presiding The presiding judge Ransom, when the presiding Bishop address long. The committee find him elder here today who would object draped in long ecclesiastical robes, sed the jury with instructions of guilty as tharged in the first to a \$150 assessment distributed rapped for order and the deep-arriving at a verdict. In those in-specification and recommend merover an entire district!"

Charge Curry With Grandstanding

grandstanding."

was handed to Bishop Ransom; he per verdict."

The witnessed turned to the pre- examined it and handed it to plain- At exactly 2:05 p. m. Friday the On this date, the general con-

angry, your grace, it's simply that judge. Bishop Ransom shook his evidence. med the 500 seat church.

against me!

"A bishop's sending a written in turn directed one of the court Shortly, the foreman, Bishop Little Rock, Ark. notice to a minister means to kill reporters, Rev. Freddie Hughes, to Noah W. Williams, of the 5th The defendant was represented

of a bishop (Noah W. Williams) you've never been in my position the plaintiff's allegations: and four presiding elders and said, . . . 'people threatening to cut "To the Court: The committee "I want you to know that I have your throat. Bishop, you don't in the case of the trial of Bishop never received one cent of the know my feelings." money from Flipper-Davis col-Bishop Ransom, having regained charge of maladministration with for \$1500 and Rev. J. S. Johnson, but before he could make a state findings to wit:

of Vernon church (Tulsa) arrangment an autograph hobbyist-mined the sales and sent me \$1000 ister seated immediately behind the

I wouldn't accept this amount. I wouldn't accept this amount . . . five jurymen pass d a small memo assessments in the state convention in the state convention and the entire amount of loud demands from plaintiff's at transferring of Rev. W. A. Devers \$1500, explaining that a Rev. Mc-torney to declare "mistrial."

Daniel had retained \$100 for ex-Presiding judge/ Hansom penses in handling certain sales of manded the pad be brought to SUSTAINED.

lars, retained by me because of hastily consulted his assistant, In the first specification, there

To the charge of levying "bur- exhibit and raise objection to it's conferred with attorneys and whom they had been drawn, which 22563:

two hours until nearly 2 p. m., held by Bishop Curry entirely too throated acting bailiff, Rev. J. S. structions he said, ". . . you are cy."

Brookens, repeatedly yelled 'Or not to be influenced in rendering Promptly the presiding Bishop your verdict because of reason of Ransom directed the defendant to Again the presiding judge warn- The courtroom finally in order, him (Curry) being a bishop . . . rise and said: "The law requires ed the witness as Plaintiff's at-another caucus with attorneys All the more-he is not an ordin- suspension . . . you are suspended torney John H. Hibbler, of Little from both sides and the presiding ary defendant . . . be all the more from all duties of Bishop of the Rock, accused Bishop Curry of judge went into huddle. The check strongly disposed to render a pro- 12th Episcopal District until June

my heart hurts!" Almost inaudible head, and the attorneys tried to Spectators hurriedly left for de- fore, the suspension is automatical-"God help him" and 'amens' were give it to defense attorney Hall layed lunch and soon returned to ly lifted on that date. It was not heard from spectators who jam- who loudly stated "It's not my the auditorium. For nearly on revealed who may temporarily premoney, it's the church's money." hour they sang church hymns un-side over the Oklahoma-Missouri After the second warning inter- From the witness stand accused til 3:45 p. m., when a rumor pass- diocese during the suspension perruption, Curry was again turning Bishop Curry stated loudly, "and ed quickly that a verdict had been iod of Bishop Curry. to the complainants and, pointing there's still more . . . I didn't get reached. Bishop Ransom entered Attorneys for the Plaintiffs Z his finger to Rev. Devers he said, it, Miller (Presiding Elder of the and addressed the audience warn-were: John A. Hibber, Little Rock; Bishop J. H. Clayborn, engineered Oklahoma City district) kept it!" ing them to refrain from any com- Primus Wade, Tulsa; J. R. Booker, the filing of Dever's charge Quickly came another strong ment, pro or con, following read-Little Rock; and Rev. V. M. Townwarning from Bishop Ransom who ing of the verdict.

ry mumbled "Strike it out if you escrow. quired by the church law, followed astical interpretations. don't want the truth." Bishop Ransom directed the de-him to the "box." Jurymen were: Bishop Ransom directed the de-him to the "box."

Curry looked directly at the jury zed, saying "I'm sorry Bishop, listed in reverse order as filed in Faltimore.

George E. Curry, in the general Some property was sold his seat in the pulpit, again rose, four specifications, submit our

transferring of Rev. W. A. Devers de- contrary to church - law-NOT

him. It was examined carefully as The second specification, which Taking plaintiff's attorneys comattorneys for both ides tensely says that Bishop Curry was inpletely by surprise, Bishop Curry awaited the aged but stately volved in the sale of the Fiippertook from his purse a chashiers church leader's verdict.

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Key-Davis school property with-

Bishop Raisom turned from the technicalities over merger of the Atty. W. H. Springfield, Little is no doubt in our minds that conton, D. C., to be held until the Attorneys for the complainants the conference and that the Finan-The trial resumed and Bishop mattetr is settled," and handed the went into a five minute huddle and ce Committee should buy drafts Curry gave a lengthy chronogical check to his attorney to be intro-decided to not cross-examine the payable to the General Departaccused bishop. Quiet laughter ment of the church, and those drafts turned over to the presiding commended in past conference re- and plaintiffs rose with their at- The distinguished looking pre- bishop who should immediately a torneys to examine the surprise siding judge, Bishop Ransom, rose, send them to the department for g

monies collected for the sale of

siding judge, tears streaming down tiff's ottorney, who attempted to jury retired to a specially prepar-ference of the African Methodist his face, explaining, "I'm NOT hand it back to the presiding ed room for weighing the two-days Episcopal church will convene in Atlantic City, New Jersey. There-

send, ecclesiastical legad adviser,

a preacher!" Immediately Bishop record the check as a court exhibit Episcopal district, first entered the by Amos T. Hall, Tulsa; W. H. Ranson rose and ordered the state- and forward same to the edu- auditorium, and the other jury- Springfield, Little Rock; and Rev. ment struck from the record. Cur- cational secretary to be held in men, four presiding elders as re. Hill, of Muskogee, aided in ecclesi-

Jurymen were: Bishop Noah W. Right down the line of four fense to resume hearings and again Bishop Ransom asked the Williams, foremen; and four precharges Hall had his defendant warned the defendant to refrain foreman had a verdict been reach siding elders, the Reverends M. C. answer each, and finally reached from direct, personal accusations ed. Bishop Williams, the foreman Knight, Kansas: G. W. Brewer, the most serious charge, illegal at various ministers in the plain-rose and read from typed notes Pal'irrora; Isaac W. Patterson, handling of connectional funds. tiffs group. Curry softly apoligi- the following action on each count, Philadelphia: and W. P. Mitchell,

during this unstable peace. They non-segregated society." confessed their "complicity in the Adding weight to the progressive

in the name of our God and our itual unity. Sas 3-31-46 churches, synagogues and cathedrals sive trends in the interracial religi- zation is unscriptural." to join us in combating the evil de-ous world, there comes from a city In spite of the revolt on the part security, his political fears and his Christ-like ideals. religious sectarianism.

race and social status, or of religious to lower the color bars. creed" not ony "destroy human

Addressing the body on the final day of the meet, he made clear the fact that race relations constitute the South's principal problem.

heralded a more Christian-like con-MARTIN stated in giving his reason cept and approach to the solution of for making the motion. All human STEP of historic significance in gious circles. For, on March 7 the day not his color. There are no two ways and post-war religion, which appar-following the final session of the to heaven, one for whites may is destined to have a far-reach meet at Richmond, the Federal another for colored." ing, favorable effect upon the amic Council of Churches of Christ in Meanwhile, in the same city durable development of race relation, America convened in Columbus, ing the past week, another minister,

The religious leaders revealed that pattern of segregation in race rela-has crept a single dissonant note. They are fully aware of the potential tions as unnecessary and undesirable the American Baptist Association, moral strength of the church in aid-and a violation of its gospel of love representing 442 Baptist churches in ing in the rescue of a world on the and human brotherhood," declared 17 states, Hawaii, and Canada, while it is a dispatch of dispatch. brink of disaster. They admitted be-the Federal Council of Churches' re-meeting in Texarkana, Texas during ing confronted with "mounting fears solution. "As proof of its sincerity in the past month, denounced the Fedtensions, confusions, and conflicts" this renunciation, it will work for a eral Council of Churches in Christ

evils of our day."Sad 3-30-46 action taken by this prominent group The Baptist organization termed And to meet the challenge of the of leaders, President TRUMAN, while the Federal Council of Churches a racial problem, among others, they addressing the assembly emphasized "menace" to true Christianity. And agreed in their resolution that "we the need of racial harmony and spir- in a resolution that disavowed the

ference, strengthening the leaders in ... that we, as ministers of Christ on and pressure to come from anti-their newly blue-printed resolutions. earth, invite all Negro ministers of Christ sources. Knoxville to join this alliance with us on absolute terms of equality and without any discrimination or bias whatever."

Without a dissenting vote or dis-

conference cussion the motion passed. Rev. Mr.

was made on March 5, at Hichmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hichmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hichmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hichmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and 500 representatives of 25, ing the past week, another minister, was made on March 5, at Hickmond, Ohio; and Ohio racial discrimination.

The action taken is significant in the interracial outlook; for this body of southern clergy risked disturbing identical—to rid the church and sottem-shackled national peace to chart a course of Christ-like brotherhood.

Although the phraseology of the we find apparently, the Christ-like resolution adopted by the two bodies race, creed or color in the deep and overall purpose appear to be pression through a possible reign of the hypocrisy-ridden mores and custom-shackled national peace to chart brotherhood of man.

The churches will be paign for the Ku Klux Klan, Hence, wisely joining forces regardless of race, creed or color in the deep pression through a possible reign of the hypocrisy-ridden mores and custom-shackled national peace to chart brotherhood of man.

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Council of Churches, the association common humanity, challenge our As an aftermath of these progres-stated: "We believe that said organi-

signs of the vendors of distrust and and state, probably least expected—of one organized body of white clerhate, who would set man against Knoxville, Tenn.—a favorable report gymen to practice the gospel of man, playing upon his pride, his pre-revealing an attempt to practice on a Christ, the meter of interracial tensions to power, his economic in-basis of racial equality, the more Christianity points toward favorable.

During the past week, Negro awakening of intelligent ministry— The overall view reveals a gradual "We challenge all men of faith to clergymen of Knoxville were offered, awakening of intelligent ministry—
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"We challenge all men of faith to clergymen of Knoxville were offered, and awareness of the inherent danger." reaffirm and exemplify in deeds the and accepted an invitation to join of continued fostering of hypocrisy, meaning of their professed love for the inter-denominational alliance of continued fostering of hypocrisy, God and man."

white ministers. The invitation came cognizance of growing tension as a result of racial maladjustment, and that discrimination practiced Rev. I. P. MARTIN, white, historian result of racial maladjustment, and seemingly a determination to quietly regainst people on the basis of color, of the Holston Methodial Control of the Holston Methodial Cont that discrimination practice Rev. I. P. MARTIN, white, historian mass without bias, the forces of against people on the basis of color, of the Holston Methodist Conference, Christianity to avert human destructions of the color bars. tion. Sat 3-30-46

dignity, but "is a predude to social For its frankness and direct appeal It is believed that through racial for righteousness, the motion made unity—the medium of true human Dr. Nordecal Johnson, eminent by the Rev. Mr. Martin merits quo- brotherhood—the interracial leaders educator and president of Howard tation. He said: "I shall share with will gain the necessary strength to University, made a potent contribution. He said: "I shall share with will gain the necessary strength to unity of spirit at the contribution to the unity of spirit at the contribution may mind for some time. I may to hear with the local strength of the local stren tion to the unity of spirit at the con-upon my mind for some time. I move to bear without defeat, the mockery ference, strengthening the leaders in ...that we as ministers of Christ on and prossure.

Seemingly, the Fellowship of

which last week differed from Winston its 25 groups back into their own shells Churchill on the drift of world affairs for good. (see International) is the biggest single Federa body of U.S. religious opinion. Its foo Federa delegates are the nominal spokesmen for some 27,000,000 members of 22 Protestant and three Orthodox church groups. Each church group is represented in the Council by four delegates, plus another delegate for each 50,000 of its communi-

Council by four delegates, plus another delegate for each 50,000 of its communicants. The Council's chief purpose: "to By BISHOP R. R. WRIGHT Jr. who oppose equality in the church secure a larger combined influence for the churches of Christ in all matters affecting Federal Council of Churches of the Negro churches the basis police officers and plaincothesmen the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the moral and social condition of the action against segregation is the for asserting Negro approval of all down the line: in a day than a committee on un-American activities could ferret out in a year."

With some \$350,000 a year, the Council had harrican Church during the church radio, labor relations, "international jus- to abolish segregation in their activity the council of the segregation in their manufacture and the council of the second and the council activity the council act the Conscientious Objector, Committee anti-segregation program.

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ministers, members of the rival American CHURCH BACKBONE Council of Christian Churches (which OF RACIAL ADVANCE Council of Christian Churches (which claims to speak for 1,000,000 Protestants), attacked the Federal Council's been the backbone of our racial condemnation of The Bomb as "undayance have taken a firm stand American," charged that the Council's atomic warfare committee was loaded the foundation of the council's atomic warfare committee was loaded the council's the job is now for all churches to Bromley Oxnam, president of the american Protes nounced lynching of Negroes in an open council of Churches, described to the council of the council of Churches, described to the council of the council of Churches, described to the council of the council of Churches, described to the council of the with "wheelhorses from such centers of pacifism and radicalism as Yale Divinity School, Union Theological Seminary, Chicago Theological Seminary."

Licago Theological Seminary. Never before has there been as threatening letters reportedly writaged in the final packets and the fi

Council has achieved a remarkable degree of this. The Federal Education Association that "the of unity on social and world affairs among their hands. They must help use or the lynching of Negroes creates

at least half of those U.S. Christians whose faith embodies the very name of protest. The Council preserves its unity, however, by avoiding theological discussion, knowing full well that any real effort toward doctrinal unity would drive

Church Council's Anti-Segregation enges Race Churchmen to Action

can Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.
Outstanding Federal Council activity is pronouncements on national and worldly a gesture, it is the greatest gesment, last year, of Dumbarton Oaks.

Too Modernist? The Council's constitution forbids the drawing up of any common creed, and bars from membership extremely "liberal" churches which deny Christ's divinity. In 1944, the Council voted against admitting the Universalist Church (45,000 members). Other sizable non-member churches. Unitarian, Southern Baptist, most Lutheran groups, Scheff complaint of most Baptist and Lutheran groups, who are basically fundamentalist, is that the Council state that the sum of the council at the council state of the council of t

Since its founding in 1908, the Federal now. Negro church leaders should gathering fo the East

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in America has worked February 25 and 26. out a racial amity program which

clude in services to return- eral Council. r personnel all veterans of whatever creed, race or national tor of the clinics, explains: "The

racial and national origin teach n church schools and lead in other church activities.

"Sponsor study groups, forums, fellowship in worships and other interracial means through which men learn co-operation in meeting common needs and mutual in-

'Give support to the doctrine brotherhood by standing against discrimination on account

Colonial Independence Urged.

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local situations that pertain to into your churches. discrimination and propose rem-

In the last year such clinics New York, Feb. 8 (P)—As an dianapolis, Ind.; Toledo, Akron Federal Council, closed the three-grant to ease racial tensions and Youngstown, Ohio; Spring-field, Mich.; Portland, Ore., and the Federal Council, closed the three-grant the Federal Council, closed the three-grant day meeting with a plea for the churches to guard against being churches to guard against being churches to guard against being churches to guard against per churches to guard agains have been held in Trenton and of the Methodist Church in the Churches of scheduled for Kansas City, Mo., either communism or capitalism.

tives from community agencies.

Dr. George E. Hayes, origina-

interracial clinic does not try to Dropping Race Barrier Asked. solve the race problem for the "Open membership and fellow- tion or for all time. It trys to ship with no barriers on account deal with concrete issues or situations in the local community and of different to work out a limited program

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 8-(AP) of race, creed or national origin Protestant Negro leaders today in employment, education, hous-hailed the special postwar policy meeting of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America for "Urge our Government, by having taken "a long step forward petition and other means, to stand in race relations" in its stand

The meeting, which closed yesterernment of colonial peoples with- day, afternoon, was led by the Nein a fixed term wherever prac- gro educator, Dr Benjamin May, ticable and in the meantime in-president of Morehouse College, Atand included in its trusteeship through the United adoption of a long statement rejecting the pattern of segregation

Church members are asked to The 500 delegates representing 25 "examine one's own heart and different Protestant faiths were racial or cultural groups; and re-their churches but in their commu-

"Enlist for definite tasks to pro- hood among the races, as well as "a interracial brotherhood in concrete program to take back to

It was Dr. Ward who told a sec-

"It's the freedom a man feels that counts," he said then.

throughout the country, the Fed- Seattle, Wash. The next clinic is drawn into a "holy war" against the country of the country of the seattle, wash. The next clinic is drawn into a "holy war" against the country of th

"We refused to identify the Christien with an economic or-In some cases the clinics re- tian Gospel with an economic orfrom 140,000 sulted in permanent interracial der," he said. "We shall be called councils made up of representa- communists by unthinking capitalists and capitalists by dogmatic s churches are Clinic discussions and judg-communists. We are uninterested adopt a policy ments are based upon a commu- in these appealations. We seek to nity self-analysis by fact-finding be Christians, and in the spirit of committees of local leaders with Our Lord will endeavor to discover and dignity the aid of experts from the Race the means to translate His ideal Relations Department of the Fed- into the realities of the common life.



mind for lurking prejudice and asked to vork against enforced to toward persons of other segregation of races, not only in During the recent special session of the red of the Council. eral Council of Churches of Christ In Amer-

ica at Columbus, Ohio, three leaders get towolved.
"Practice in daily contacts perEpiscopal Zion Church of Chicago, largest Protestant church alliance. Left to "Practice in daily contacts particle in the human value commented the council action repright: Dr. W. W. Alexander, Chicago, vice president of the Rosenwald Fund; Mrs. Henry Sloane Coffin, New York City, head of the Women's Cooperating Committee of the

brotherhood, It asked its members to work for a non - segregated on church and a non-segregated so-The Council recommended that

each community take action to de-COLUMBUS, Mar. 7. - Racial termine the practice of racial segre-Council and Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, Atlanta, segregation has been renounced by gation within its own life and work Part of the new strategy is intion meeting considering the first Ga., president of Morehouse College and vice the Federal Council of Churches of and formulate a plan of action in terracial clinics, composed of repdraft of the council's anti-segrega. president of the Council. At the meet, a resoresentatives of the churches and tion declaration that this "would lution was passed to adopt an all-out policy and undesirable and a violation of service and employment.

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splendid job of planning practition the warrent every courtesy all relief for the war-torn suf-was shown them at the Head-came when 500 recent attives of ences of emphasis, in all section mental stage as a means of an effective bers took a sweeping vow asainst tablished and supported by law including disself proud in the general reception of including disself proud in the general reception of the country of their several model. The revolutionary of gram, forced by social custom."

The decree against Jim Crow It is accepted, with some different the Defroit riots of 1943. "They have some beyond the experimental stage as a means of an effective church-leadership technique in community betterment," segregated churches at their several model. They are the promoted in 16 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 16 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 16 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 19 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 18 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 19 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 19 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 19 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 19 cities since color, creed or national origin been promoted in 19 cities since color, creed or national color, creed or national color, creed or national color, creed The revolutionary of gram, forced by social custom."

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Inaten within their crurches and public schools," the statement eager to follow the work for constructive remedies."

The history - making meeting the church in worship and fellow which had earlier been addressed by Pres. Harry Truman, was told sirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems where the rapastern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems where the rapastern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems where the rapastern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems where the rapastern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems where the rapastern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems where the rapastern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems where the rapastern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. There are large numbers of school systems are lations as unnecessary and undesirable and a violation of its gospel systems. Th ca, where not only war suffer- H. Wesley, J. A. Valentine, H. non-segregated church and a non-Furthermore, the segregation pat- would not mean a "stampede d

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Distinguished visitors includhe President of the Council, KIDS Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, President Harry Truman, Conressman Judd, President San noff of the National Broadcast ng Company, and outstanding eaders of the twenty-five memer organizations.

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Clerics Pledge Campaign To End Discrimination

COLUMBUS, O. — Jim Crow and the church were

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factory. . . ."

Spurred By New Yorker

Apostle Paul could refer to them light of such facts, what con-as "one body in Christ." The statement analyzed the na-alleviate these tensions."
tion segregation pattern as "the Establish Race Clinics

color, creed or national origin

tern in public education seems to Negroes into your churches. be changing more rapidly than in No Stampede 3-16-46

their physical and mental structures.

The discussion on World Order was most significant. Science, regarded as the ally rather than the enemy of religion, should be guided in its use by the spirit of religion to bring spiritual as well—as metal and mental structures.

J. Odom. (9) Bishop D. Ward Wilbur and Mrs. R. Wight, Jr., and others where and others are and that the pastors commented the segregation as practiced in most ingenious devices to avoid accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of that colored people either refused accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of the Church about Christian brotherhood. . . Segregation substituted in most ingenious devices to avoid accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of the Church about Christian brotherhood. . . Segregation as practiced in most ingenious devices to avoid accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of the Church about Christian brotherhood. . . Segregation as practiced in most ingenious devices to avoid accepting Negro, Jewish or Origidate on the basis of the Church acceptance of the church acceptance of the color of the Several white pastors commented

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complete is the acceptance by the "The Church, having chosen to Church of this segregation pattern renounce the segregation pattern that fellowship between white and as a violation of its Gospel of colored Christians in America is life . . . must next direct her atfrequently awkward and unsatis-tention to the community within which she functions." the resolution concluded. ... "In order that the community may sense the Spurred by Dr. Henry Sloane transforming power of organized Coffin of New York City, chair-religion in relieving community man of the council's department of tensions arising from the segregaresearch and education which pretion pattern locally, we urge upon pared the report, it received churches and church councils the unanimous support from even value of Race Relations Clinics The resolution reminded the where they live and work. Such white and Negro delegates that clinics seek to discover factually hey were moulded by internal what are the actual tension points and so they have and that the second seek to discover factually have seek to brotherhood and that he what are the actual tension points onds of brotherhood and that the in interracial living, and in the structive steps may be taken to

tion emisary to all the world nominations were in attend-divorced this week by the externelly imposed separation of Through the Federal Council's division of individual citizens, or Department of Race Relations, been promoted in 18 cities since the Defroit riots of 1943. "They mental stage as a means of an effective church-leadership techsaid Dr. Haynes, the Department's executive secretary. "When com-

ishop J. Clayborn Elected

Wright, who is arranging the conference, the Rev. J. C. Austin, Baptist; Bishop W. J. Walls and Dr. James W. Eichelberger, both A. M. E. Zion; Bishop Nichols and Dr. Townsend, A. M. E., and Bishops Shaw and R. N. Brooks, M. E.

(Special to the Memphis World) Bethel AME Church was host to the national Fraternal Council of Negro churches last week. Dr. G. Wayman Blakely, pastor made a wonderful host and gave the convention an elaborate reception Wednesday evening.

Dr. J. L. Horace of Chicago, Ill., chairman of the executive commit tee, presided over the executive board. Bishop A. P. Shaw, who has served the organization the limited period of two years, carried it to higher heights. He presided with fairness to all which the Council appreciated and regretted the law forced his change.

Reports of Dr. W. H. Jernagin, chairman of the Bureau maintained by the organization in Washington, D. C., and that of the Executive Secretary Bishop R.

R. Wright Jr., of Wilberforce, O., HEADS NEGRO FRATERNALyear plan with a proposal for na-Dr. Jernagin related how he Council of Churches in the United executive secretary of the council. traveled 33,000 miles by air; 1800 States. by auto, jeep and truck and more Bishop Clayborn is President of on our part, but on the part of than 200 miles by boat. He also the fourteenth Episcopal District white people, leads to most of the said. "I spoke to about 50,000 ser-of the AME Church. racial troubles," Bishop Wright vicemen and had a conference He presides over conferences in said, and recommended a commitwith General McArthur in Toyko, West Africa, Liberia, Serra Leon man in "prevention of trouble" that 13 denominations are now Coast and assistants with confe.

The AME Church.

Includes, Bishop Wright recommended a commitwee to conferences in said, and recommended a commitwee to confer with President Trujapan. Bishop Wright reported West Africa, Nigeria and Gold conferences. Sal. 7-20-46

Tregistered as members of the rence in America.

Richard Resident Trujapan. registered as members of the rence in America. Council, giving it in the aggre- He is well known as an organizer elected president of the council gate a membership of above six financier, and dynamic in lead for 1946. Other officers include million (6,000,000) members. His ership.

The increase in coming year including a conformal to the council that the A MILITANT PROGRAM for the urer; E. W. Perry, vice president; and the increase in coming year including a conformal treasurer.

report further showed that the MILITANT PROGRAM for the membership and the increase in coming year, including a confer-finance had increased beyond any previous year.

President Shaw stressed the great as arrangements could be completed, was laid down by a special committee of the Fraternal Council of and those having no training, nor economic security; it should be our parish house. The laws they are more sident stated.

A MILITANT PROGRAM for the account of neclosing year, including a confer-finance had increase in coming year, including a confer-finance had increase in coming year, including a confer-finance had increased beyond any ence with President Truman on the general status of the Negro, as soon as arrangements could be completed, was laid down by a special committee on business are: Dr. J. E. Walker, Maj. R. R. Wright Sr., Emmer Lancaster, and Joseph R. Houchins, United States Census bureau.

Present were Rishop J. H. Lancaster, and Joseph R. Houchins, United States Census bureau. president stated. born, president; Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr., executive secretary; the

HEATED DISCUSSION

The Council members were Rev. J. L. Horace, chairman of the brought to their feet and hot dis-executive committee, and Dr. V. cussions followed when Dr. Roland M. Townsend, treasurer, all of Smith of Atlanta, Ga., read a reso-whom had been named at the an-lution asking for the employment nual meeting at Little Rock. lution asking for the employment find fleeting at Little Rock.

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order to sell the organization more meeting of church leaders of all
the to the public. rapidly to the public. 7-13-41. faiths will be held in St. Louis Tuesday, Nov. 12, to launch a coun-



try-wide campaign for 50,000 members. Bishop A. P. Shaw, of the M. E. Church, is chairman of the drive. Birmingham, ala
The committee to visit President Truman will include Bishop Clayborn, the Rev. Horace, Bishop

The Fraternal Council will also sponsor a national oratorical contest for college and high school students on "The Role of the Negro Church in Making Democracy Real for the Negro." Finals will be held next July with scholarship awards of \$3,000. Regional preliminaries will be held in the North, South, East and West. Surv. 9-22-4.

an appeal to representatives of its 6,000,000 members for consideration of a program aiding the minority to aghieve full citizenship status in the United States, the National Fraternal Council of Negro Churches closed its annual session here recently.

A recommendation for the fiveshowed the great need for such a COUNCIL OF CHURCHES—Bish tional state and local community bureau and how effective its been op J. H. Clayborn, of Little Rock committees to "fight for rightin creating sentiment for the Ark, is the newly elected presidenteousness and social justice," was Council and Negroes in general of the National Negro Fraterna made by Bishop R. R. Wright Jr.,

"Ignorance of facts, not only

Bishop John H. Clayborn was

Conducted by Frank D. Dorey, Assistant Professor of Social Ethfar-reaching moral, ics and the Sociology of Religion was told by Dorothy Thompson in Friday's at the School of Religion of How-Age-Herald. The story was that of a widower and University in Washington, the with two shildren with the state of the state o with two children who needed a cook-house-Negro college graduates studying the PACIFIC COAST is full of religious and Religion Not Practiced Reper for his home in Northern New Eng-in schools of religion are enrolled recommendations. How DOES IT have his need was great. 6-1-46

Finally there came to him a Negro appli-that there were 327 Negro college numbers of people fly cant. Her qualifications were excellent. She, students pursuing degrees in off to organizations too, at first seemed inclined to pass up the schools of religion during the win-like Aimee McPheroffer. But she listened to his tale of need, students were distributed among and promised him an answer later. A few thirty-one white and ten Negro inseem strange and unseem strange days later she came and took the job. She stitutions. Four years ago the seem strange and untold him that in the meantime she had number of such students was 248 pleasant things. In prayed hard, and that God had commanded. Thirty-seven per cent of the stu-other cases they emprayed hard, and that God had commanded dents are Baptists and 20 per cent brace movements like her to come and cook for him and his chil- Methodists, according to the study the Ku Klux Klan dren, and to clean his rooms. She might have done better somewhere else, but here was a need for her to meet.

Highest proportion of the students and various efforts at attending white schools was among the Congregationalists. a need for her to meet.

That is the story. Then Miss Thompson

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for the good and the sublime. It is a longing for wisdom and understanding. It is a reaching for a rock amid the stormy seas of doubt and indecision. It is the hope for an answer to perplexing questions.

Surely prayer is to be desired as mankind faces problems not radically different in essence from those which faced the New England cook. And perhaps if men have more recourse to prayer, they too will arrive at decisions that the path of duty lies down the road of unselfish service.

MORE NEGRO LEADERS NEEDED FOR MINISTRY

four years of 32 per cent in the er of Negro college graduates studying for degrees in religion, only one student for each 157 Noo church members, is graduated annually, according to a study made public yesterday by American Missionary Assoion, Board of Home Missions of the Congressional Christian Churches.

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land. But he couldn't afford to pay a high in white institutions. This figure salary, the duties would be heavy, and the tion as that contained in a similar place was somewhat isolated. With cooks and study made in 1941. Why housekeepeeps much in deep land. But he couldn't afford to pay a high in white institutions. This figure semi-religious groups and organizations. HOW DOES IT happen that in a religion They represent for the most part people without which above all other boasts of its catholicity, university training or scientific background but of the equality of rich and poor and of the one

sound knowledge.

That is the story. Then Miss Thompson raises the question of whether the world might not be better if more persons prayed about a decision before making it. Well, why not?

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But prayer to some persons is broader between God and His worth and heaven.

Gave his farewell sermon Sunday at terracial churches; at actually welcoming into to yield last in religion and this is the strongest and church representatives of various attack upon religion that could be made and is greatly services and being made by the church itself and not by outset the goodly Christian's weapon," as a means the pastorate of the church because these people. One finds, of course, here and he was required to be baptized by there in the United States a few colored members a link between earth and heaven.

Well, you opened the door and a white person in a colored congregation. Usu-Angeles, Foursquare Gospel believers bers in white congregation according to race and color is waited for the service to begin. Suddenly But prayer to some persons is broader here we are; folks of many na-ally segregation according to race and color is waited for the service to begin. Suddenly than that. Even the secular may have need tions and races, many different more thoroughly carried out in the Christian down the ramp to the stage roared a mofor prayer of some sort. Even the skeptic sorts of Protestants and others, too, church in America than in any other social in- torcycle, the cutout wide open. Aimee can benefit by it. For prayer is the spirit from Roman Catholic, Greek Cathestitution. This, of course, is a queer gormentary Semple McPherson sat in the saddle, searching for truth. It is man reaching out olic and Jewish backgrounds."

Semple McPherson sat in the saddle, upon our religion. Upon our religion.

Interracial Churches IN SAN FRANCISCO and in Los Angeles jammed on the brakes, jumped off, and there are interracial churches. In San Francisco, Howard Thurman is co-pastor of a church which holds meetings of a high order of intelligence and is well attended. Easter morning I went to the Church of Christian Fellowship of Los Angeles. It was holding temporary meetings in one of those magnificent houses built in roar through religion with the cutout wide the last generation by a millionaire. The chief open. The minor, personalized movepastor is an American Negro, Harold M. Kings-ments are attacked and ridiculed but selections. ley, well known as pastor of the Congregational dom defended by those outside their be-Church of the Good Shepherd in Chicago for 20 liefs. Now they have an apologist, Dr. years or more. The assistant pastor is G. Ray. Marcus Bach, a minister of the Evangelimond Booth, a white man and a Quaker; and the cal and Reformed Church, who sees good other assistant, Reverend Royden Susu-Mago, a in the faith of the 15,000,000 persons who Japanese. The audience consisted of white and worship outside of the larger religions and colored persons representing so far as I could denominations. see well-to-do and intelligent people. There Dr. Bach, 39-year-old professor in the was no evidence of that fringe of enthusiasts who School of Religion at the University of go into movements of this sort without well-bal- Iowa, has been looking into other faiths a anced reflection. The services were in accord ever since he sneaked into the forbidden 2 with normal American religious customs; the precincts of a Roman Catholic Church as matter of immortality was skirted about tact-a schoolboy. In his new book, "They Have

housekeepers much in demand, he seemed The study was based on replies to have little chance to employ one. But to a questionnaire received from seventy seminaries and schools of earnest in their religious convictions. Somethis need was great to the study made in 1941. Why the definition of the other hand those who are honest and humanity united in Jesus Christ—how does it happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need was great to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need to the other hand those who are honest and happen that this creed in America is almost need to the other hand those who are honest and happen that the other hand the othe treatment to the colored folk through missions and movements. The colored people gather in their own churches with their own organizations and look upon white religion as a sort of distant efforeign land. This means, of course, that whatever religion tries to do as such in the United States it is split by the color line and one sees the results in all sorts of ways. Even where in larger bodies like the Federation of Churches white and colored members are present, they come in representing for the most part different 2 racial organizations and not one integral thought 5 or ethical concept. I doubt if the pioneer work. in interracial churches on the west coast is going to have much influence upon the East and

At the stage, the Foursquare evangelist blew a deafening blast on her police

fully rather than met philosophically. But it Found a Faith," Dr. Bach tells the symwas an interesting and sincere ceremony and the pathetic yet witty story of eight "littlewonder of it is that this sort of thing is so rare known religions." Part of the study was





way. On the old dream of world brotherhood, a new idea is constantly superimposed, and the movement continues and Petersburg, Va. The purpose of the school is to grows (Newsweek, Sept. 30).

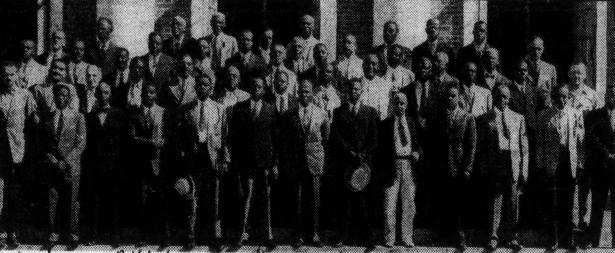
Tather Divine-When Dr. Bach held a fantastic interview with "God" twelve stenographers took notes. The man who "visibilitates" God can also "tangibilitate" money. Of a 60-course "Holy Communion" banquet, Dr. Bach says: "If this is communion, a Thanksgiving dinner is just a snack."



International Photos

. of believers like Aimee's 22,000 tic faith whose prophet, Baha'u'llah, lecturers representing Federal, "Splendor of God," died in 1892, Baha'i State and private agencies aided has only 3,000 adherents in the United During the period, a short course

copies of periodicals spread the word. [Psychiana-"I talked with God-yes, I did-actually and literally" is the claim of its founder, Frank B. Robinson, who pelieves there is no subconscious but only the God-power, waiting to be tapped.



MINISTERS' SUMMER SCHOOL The school spon- improve community life through the development of sored by the Conference of Virginia Negro Colleges the church and its leadership by stimulating cooper-

the church and its leadership by stimulating cooperation between the churches, the schools and other

PETERSBURG, Va.—The fourth annual Summer School for Ministers, sponsored by are simply opposing one set of The Baha'i Faith—A Persian-born mys-the Conference of Virginia Negro Colleges on Rural Life, closed at Virginia State College prejudices to another. Men. 113.44 here last month. Seventy ministers of various denominations from all sections of the It is above time and place. It is State attended during the six-week session. Courses were offered in The Work of the Pas-above persons and classes. Relitor, rural problems and trends in Paul's Polytechnic Institute, Vir-virginia, contemporary social move-ological Seminary and College and ments, the preparation and delivery Virginia Union University.

> public speaking, rural social agencies and improving the Sunday School.

of sermons, homiletics, English,

EMINENT FACULTY

On the teaching staff were Dr. J. W. Nicholson, professor of pastoral theology, Bishop Payne Divinity School, this city; the Rev. H. M. Ruffin, minister of the Shi-loh Baptist Church, Folly; Dr. C. M. McConnell, head of the town and country church department, Boston University School of The-Massachusetts; the Rev Ralph Williamson, director of the Rural Church Institute, Barnes Hall, Ithaca, N. Y.; B. F. Dabney, assistant professor of English; the Rev. Samuel L. Gandy, director of religious activities, and Dr. Harry W. Roberts, head of the department of sociology, and director of the Summer School of Virginia State College

SPECIAL LECTURERS

In addition, over thirty special recturers representing Federal, States, with the huge temple at Wilmette, on cooperatives was taught by a representative of the Farm Credit Administration, and a lecture tour

The colleges sponsoring the school were Bishop Payne Divinity licism in 1891. Each month a millior School, Hampton Institute, St. cational Secretary, Atlanta Tuber-Frankle Adams Instructor Atlanta national origin is one of the great

University School of Social Work; Dr. Harry V. Richardson, Chaplain, Tuskegee Institute Jhur. 10-10-41

The Atlania Tuberculosis Association recently sponsored a very successful 'Ministers' Institute' at the Butler Street YMCA attended by more han 100 ministers of Atlanta and vicinity.

As a climax to a two days' program, the clerics took advantage of the opportunity offered and underwent x-ray, setting an example for numerous citizens, who are alert to the A. T. A. program.

Drs. Cobb and Richardson (picured above) were two of the principal speakers

PREJUDICE HELD MENACE

Narrowness of Outlook Termed Deterrent to World Unity

Prejudice and narrowness of outlook are the biggest deterrents to world unity, the Rev. Homer Lewis Sheffer, minister of the Unitarian Society of Ridgewood, N. J., said yesterday in a sermon in the Unitarian Church of All Souls, Eightieth Street and Lexington Avenue.

You cannot tell when anyone of us is going to be tripped up by his prejudices," Mr. Sheffer said. "We think we are on the road to greatness of soul until some unexpected turn in the road brings us sharply face to face with our prejudices. Sometimes we accuse the other fellow of lack of bigness when we

gion is something to be lived, and what a glorious opportunity we have to live our religion in this prejudiced age, which is on the road to damnation through its

Council of Churches and Christian Education for Maryland and Delaware will ask the Maryland Legislature, convening Jan. 1, to wipe the "Jim Crow laws" off the state's statute books and create a fair employment practices commission.

The council's board of directors, in resolutions adopted yesterday, said repeal of the Jim Crow laws would "give expression to fundamental Christian, principles and

Frank T. Rhoad, director of Christian social relations, said: "If such a bill is passed, it will remove from the statute books the obvious denial of our belief in the brotherhood of man and fatherhood of God in whose sight all men are equal."

Maryland law requires segregation of Negroes on railroads.

culosis Association, Dr. Montague Of the proposed state FEPC bill.

He complained bitterly that too much space is given to the number of four years ago. reports of sports and the theatre and not enough to religion. To quote: Sat. 9 - 21 - 46

reporters are sent to fights and race tracks.

As far as the AFRO is concerned, Dr. Barbour is a bit ministry that we look for leadership and counsel. infused about his so-called facts. Not a week passes but religious gatherings, our crack writers are on hand.

he two national Baptist conventions. Reported Matthews: the mark.

If there was anything tremendous, inspiring, world-shaking nose for news . . . There was not even a table provided for re ever these groups assemble.

Which leads us to comment that the church only deserves attention on the basis of its pulling power. Less than 50 per cent of the people are church members. More than o per cent attend the movies.

If the church would spend as much money in advertise formula, & ments as the movies do, there would be as many pages devoted to churches as there are exclusively to the movies.

Churches cannot any longer depend upon frightening crimination in churches was people with hell-fire and threats of damnation into attending contained in reports filed with ervices. They must put on a good show. They need to get the National Convocation on the good preachers, good showmen and good business men and Church in Town and Country at

the body as a whole.

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Besides the fact that the South is supplying by far the footed people and encourage of Church Women, largest body of trained ministers, the survey shows that others to remain on the land to its kind in America, sharply congest number of trained ministers, are accredited by the check the increase in farm middle segregation practices. largest number of trained and to its kind in America, sharply confidenced schools replying, only two are accredited by the check the increase in farm midemned segregation practices in formal demned segregation practices in farm Association of Theological Schools while 25 of 31 grants and "imminent recurrence the Nation's community life, called of unemployment and depression of the enforcement of civil rights replying are. white schools replying are. While it is true that there are a number of undergrad-

uate students attending schools where a college degree is not Edge - American Ballimore, Md, a prerequisite and an even larger number of untrained men who were "called" to the ministry, sans formal training, the press recently took a blasting at the hands of the fact remains that the ministry is not attracting sufficient Rev. J. Pious Barbour, editor of the National Baptist Voice, numbers of adequately trained men to supply the need, despite the fact that the number being trained today exceeds

Because the minister, probably more than other individuals, is likely to come into more frequent contact with all Great AME and Baptist gatherings are given a perfunctory members of the community, it is presumed that he has a rite-up by some hack writer or cub reporter while the crack greater opportunity to serve the public good. It is to the

In the practical, every day matters of health, housing hat this newspaper gives considerable space to news and and voting as well as in the spiritual realm, the minister's rehotographs of church activities, and when there are major sponsibility to the community has steadily increased. But when we consider that over 65,000 souls must depend upon Just last week, the AFRO's Ralph Matthews attended one minister for leadership, we see how far we are missing

Here is a matter of vital concern to us all, particularly enough to be recorded in the public prints, I was unable to dis to our denominational groups. We can think of no more imcover it, and I pride myself on having a fairly well developed portant matter to be placed at the top of their agendas when

> Racial Discrimination Rapped h-Conference Report

A condemnation of racial dis-

The reports, presented

Church groups discussing race discrimination at conventions held at After all, it really isn't important what newspapers think statements of policy by convoca- a half-dozen widely separated places throughout the country during bout religion and God. It is more important what the clergy tion commissions, did not call the past week, sharply condemned the practice of segregation and inthinks and what the clergy can make its membership think for their adoption or rejection by justice to Negroes, and Baptist State conventions in the South called

Negro and white Christians at con-

Giving evidence of more concern laws where they exist, and for the "interpretation and enforcement of Supreme Court rulings on trans-nortation, education, and the right

tion and segregation within the to allay growing race tensions high- Keynote speaker for the women's

Regard To Race Or National Origin

NEW YORK — The granting of INSECURITY PREVAILS

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The doctrine forecal superiori race, creed or nationality Church

The doctrine of racial superiori. race, creed or nationality. Churchty in the modern world is dynamite. When we consider racial promote interracial brotherhood. tensions today we are not dealing NEGRO. ECRETARY FOR with some local or sectional or CHURCH COUNCIL even national difficulty which, LOS ANGELES. (ANP) For however, serious, has strictly limit the first time in its instory, and consequences," the message description of church women has elected a Negro secretary. She is Mrs. Frederick D. destroying the antagonisms of race Jordan, prominent church and civic

mandate under God for bringing FLIES HIS CIRCUITED IN THE CIRCUITED IN THE CIRCUITED IN THE CONTROL OF THE CONT nials of justice to many of its own citizens," the message declared further that it "cannot fulfill this obligation unless it first recognizes and repents of its own failure to fulfill the law of Christ in its own

The churches were urged to oppose racial discrimination in employment, education, housing, recreation and other matters. They were also urged to support independence or self government of colonial peoples within a fixed term wherever practicable. Sizing up world conditions the message

DAY OF OPPORTUNITY

"This is a day of magnificent op-

"The war has ended. The nations have committed themselves to cooperation in seeking to mainain justice and peace; men of many aces have been comrades in rms and now are returning to heir homelands with a new sense the oneness of mankind.

"But this is also a day of deadly

membership and fellowship with no barriers on account of race or national origin was urged by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America on last Saturday in a special race relations message to the churches of America.

Emphasizing that racial tensions today are no longer "local" prospective formulation and interests are resisting the sequences, the message calls upon the churches of America to take the hearts of men everywhere.

The doctrine fracial superiori- race, creed or nationality. Church-

destroying the antagonisms of race Jordan, prominent church and civic

ederal Council.

Asserting that the church has a NEGRO PREACHER

Atlanta Negro minister, has given circuit riding in Georgia

He pilots his own Aronca plane and flies to various churches throughout the state to do his preaching. He is the regular paster of the New St. Paul church here put on St. Paul church here, but on weekends he flies to Griffin,

Carrollton and Athens.
Once he flew as far as
Greenville, S. C. "I always wanted to fly, so I just start-ed flying," he says.



RURAL MISSIONS and church leadership among Negroes were emphasized yesterday at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary by, from left, Dr. Roland Smith, Dr. John Caylor and Dr. Fred McClelland.

destroying the antagonisms of race Jordan, prominent church and civic and the lust for power, or we shall worker, who was unanthously election to serve the southern the Council of Church women, a nation-the 25 national communions in the women. Sat according to serve the southern million the 25 national communions in the women. Sat according to several million the council of Church women and provided million to several million the several million the council of Church women. Sat according to several million the women. Sat according to the council of Church women and the women. Sat according to the council of Church and civic women and civic women and civic women. Sat according to the council of Church and civic women and civic women and civic women. Sat according to the council of Church and civic women and civic women. Sat according to the council of Church women and civic women and civic women. Sat according to the council of Church women and civic women and civic women and civic women. Sat according to the council of Church women and civic women and ci

There is danger that the leadership among Negroes may pass from their ministers "to professions such as law, science, and education," Dr. Roland Smith, Atlanta, editor of The Georgia Baptist and Negro church leader in the South, told the student body of Southern Baptist Theological

Seminary yesterday.

Speaking on a Missionary Day the rural churches and that the program, Dr. Smith said fewer "rural sections of the South conthan 6,000,000 of the 14,000,000 stitute the greatest mission field Negroes in America are church of the souther will respond to a shall than 6,000,000 or the 14,000,000 in America, but the people in the Negroes in America are church country will respond to a chalmembers. Of those affiliated lenge to do big things when they with churches, he said, 65 per are approached through a prac-

Rual Needs Stressed. tical church program.' Other speakers were Dr. J. Dr. Caylor called for volun-Fred McClelland, Shreveport, teers to prepare as missionaries La., secretary of rural evange- to Mexico, Central America and lism for Louisiana under the Cuba, where he said the field is Southern Baptist Convention "fertile" for church work. Last Home Mission Board, and Dr. year, the Home Mission Board Atlantans Plan John Caylor, Atlanta, the board's employed 206 students in a sum-

here is urgent need for through the 1946 summer. trained ministers in Negro The seminary received an apthat fewer than 100 of the 4,000 chaplain, Sadamoto Kawano, Negro Baptist ministers in Geor-Fukuoka, Japan, who was grad-four that college training lated from the seminary in 1000 Fourteen Atlanta religious and semin gia have had college training uated from the seminary in 1938, Fourteen Atlanta religious and He said 24 Negro Baptist col- for help in the revival of religion civic leaders are making plans for the seminary in this city of

Dr. McClelland emphasized

Churches in the United State has the largest membership? T Roman Catholic. Which Protestant of nomination is the largest? The Baptis How many persons of Jewish faith a there in this country? Approximately 4,600,000. Which is the smallest of the five largest Protestant denominations? The Protestant Episcopal. /- 34-

Figures recently released by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America give the following membership totals for the various churches in this country:

Roman Catholic _____23,400,000 Baptist _____14,200,000 Methodist _____ 9,900,000 Lutheran 5,100,000 5

Jewish 4,600,000 5

Presbyterian 2,800,000 5

Episcopal 2,200,000 5

It will be noted that whereas the Catholics have by far the biggest total, Catholics have by far the biggest total, whereas the war the biggest total, which is added so to a hour war and if the five largest Prot-N estant groups are combined, they add up to a figure well beyond that of the Catholics. The Catholics are concentrated in the standard of the Catholics are concentrated in the standard of the Catholics. olics. The Cathorics are concentrated in the Northeast and the Middle West. In the diocese of Richmond, which includes the city and 80 counties, there are about

It may surprise a good many people to learn that fewer than 5,000,000 Jews & live in the United States, out of a popu- 20 o lation of around 140,000,000, but such # is the case. We have more of them in A the United States than there are in any other country in the world, including Russia, which has something in exing Russia, which has something in excess of 3,000,000. Poland had about the same as Russia before the ghastly Nazi massacres wiped nearly all of them out. Nearly half of all the Jews in this country are in the single State of New York. The number in Virginia is slightly in excess of 25,000.

It is worth noting that the maximum in the state of the Nearly half of all the Jews in this coun-

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It is worth noting that the maximum number of church members in the United States given in any compilation appears to be 72,000,000, whereas another method of figuring places the total at under 60,000,000. It can readily be seen, then, that something like half of all the 140. that something like half of all the 140,-000,000 people in this country belong to no church. That is an extraordinary situation, and one in which there lies situation, and one in which there lies a challenge to the clergy and the laity of

said, and this will be continued Observance of through the 1946 summer.

e observance in this city of merican Brotherhood Week,

fitting slogan for Brotherhood in the United States. The combined efforts of the American people and the people of Allied nations which gave us victory must also be made to insure us

very provocative situation.

CHURCH ASKED TO SUPPORT 'ABOLISH THE POLL TAX' FIGHT

Pattsburgh Courier With amazing, The dynamic force, executive secretary of the National they were the Committee to Abolish the Poll Tax centrifugal pow-Mrs. Katherine Shryver, has senter that sparked out nation-wide appeal to the education, inspirout nation-wide appeal churches asking their financial ed ambition, in-

Fraternal Council Negro Churchestered ministry is compelled to lose America, was named by thecaste.

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The writer called on Bishop Nichols re
creditation from the Department of Education and Alabama.

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The writer called on Bishop Nichols repreme business of the Christian preacher to cry out against sin EVEN IN politics, the control of church; associate members will and if sin appears in politics and the Church has been weakened own their membership in their economics, then the minister of this results from the guardier own church, but will assume remics, then the minister of this results from the suspicion sponsibilities and privileges; af-

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served five most reverend bishops is sometimes difficult for people lounging around the headquarters to fit into a new religion.

National Baptist Convention. This

But a church, newly organized should never happen again if the on a truly Christian basis, might Church desires to maintain the re-be more successful. spect and deference that it is due

Pastors and Pulpits

Trends Show That Church And Ministry Are Rapidly Losing Leadership

By JOSEPH D. BIBB=

"On the Italian front, during the war, I was privileged to command not only troops from America, but S it true, as claimed by certain ministers, that lawyers, physicians and businessmen are o from Great Britain, France, now supplanting the ministry in leadership among colored people? Is the Church power ly, Greece, Poland, Palestine, and influence disintegrating? Those who make these charges point out, that of the th Africa, Brazil, and the In fourteen million colored citizens of the United States, that less than six million are af-

dian army. Only by common de filiated with the churches. It is Everlasting financial difficulties termination, overlooking different further revealed that 65 per cent have besset our pulpits and pastors, creed, languages, and national of the six million belong to the The valiant money-raising efforts ties, these troops drove the enemy hattor retreat."

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> cently to learn the secret of his success in Alabama, and was shown check books for the six Alabama conferences. This testified to the fact that each conference has a bank account into which its collections are deposited and that all withdrawals are made by check, signed by two conference officials and countersigned by the Bishop. I was told that the membership is given the facts and figures on receipts and expenditures, and that this is the key to the over-subscription be done.

BY ROBERT DURR

(For the NNPA News Service)

of any budget set by their episcopal leader.

The Negro church in America for a long, long more than they do for their needs, if organiza-

It was my privilege recently to talk with the head of the largest colored State Masonic Grand Lodge in America-Grand Master Charles V. Hendley of Alabama. I learned he heads an upward of thirty thousand member order. Each year the endowment secretary, Fred C. Jenkins, issues a complete statement of the financial transactions and condition of the Order. The general statement is broken down into detailed depart. mental statements, and the general statement is available to newspapers and the public in general as well as to the membership of the

Order. Washington All This is not true in the case of many other organizations. Hence, there is a lack of faith it them by many who would give them the type of support necessary to enable them to furnish a freed leadership without which the Negro can not make respectable and genuine progress.

Let the people know what you do with the money, and they will give you all you need t do what ought to be done, the way it ought t

Interracial Church of All The Cleveland Church Of All Ohio Interracial

the principles of Jesus to racial, CLEVELAND 2 The Church of political, economic, and social problems loday," elected its first steenlive Board July 14. The chairman is Rev Charles M. Maclennan, amhister of the Prespoterian Church and at present the Executive Director of Town Meetings of Greater Cleveland. Other officers include: A. Peters, field worker for the Adult Education Department of the Cleveland Public Library, vice—

CLEVELAND — The Church of All Peoples, organized on June 30, with 82 persons accepted as charter members, and the congregation formally established, elected its first executive board on July 14.

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Cleveland Public Library, vicechairman; Juanita Morrow, reporter for the Cleveland Call and
Post, secretary; Henry Van Dyke,
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position for 14 years.

to break down and eradicate race laws. prejudice within the community launch last summer.

member as its executive director, erative world." Everett Coles, and is completely interracial in nature.

It arranges for educational, social and welfare activities, in the hope that people of all races will gather in a spirit of friendship and destroy the barriers that are disrupting America by building on the prejudices which now ex-

Service to All

The bishop said: "We serve people here regardless of race or religion. If they are in need, they're welcome. I give the com-mittee spiritual guidance. We don't seek to make people join

our church.
"That's purely voluntary on their part. Besides, we carry a great many on our rolls as adherents.

Archbishop Clement often speaks at committee meetings every Wednesday night in every day, simple language any person can understand.

He believes that many civic organizations which claim to be fighting for the so-called "common man" (a term which he detests), never make any attempt to speak on a plane with him, but talk down to him.

No Price Tag They try to do things for him which he does not understand and may not like, instead of trying to work with him for the things he wants done, and educating him in the meantime.

Committee Headed by Minority Director "If necessary, I'll lay out the money myself, if needed. Someterms of race or church is an evil to serve them.

There's no price tag on any of our services," he continued. "If necessary, I'll lay out the money myself, if needed. Someterms of race or church is an evil to serve them.

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terms of face of church is defeating its own purpose. Christianity is an inclusive religion.

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apply to have the privilege of St. Paul Church House, 102 E. our church, we never had any only a three-story building in the East Side of Harlem, its memoratory and free services are open to question a man about his race bishop Clement plans to mo to have the church held back and free services are open to question a man about his race bishop Clement plans to mo to have the church held back and free services are open to question a man about his race bishop Clement plans to mo to have the church held back and free services are open to question a man about his race bishop Clement plans to mo to have the church held back and free services are open to question a man about his race bishop Clement plans to mo to have the the church held back and free services are open to question a man about his race bishop Clement plans to mo to have the when he wanted to enter. If he larger quarters as soon as a man admitting into full fellow majority of its members are wanted to come in, that was all able space is found, so the his white, colored people in the com-that was considered necessary."

Teaches Human Relations / church can render better services

with other Catholic churches in lynching in Georgia," he added. America, but was responsible to "when what we need is a National itself. He has held his present Bill of Rights to empower us to step across Georgia's State borders Foremost of his current plans and force her to obey Federal

"Finally, America must learn is the People's Committee on Hu- to operate on a functional, co-opman Relations which he helped erative basis. There must be human co-operation, and we must This committee has a colored try to make for a healthy, co-opGod Made All of One Blood, Say, Jehovah's Witnesses was done have any be embar those who was done have any be embar those who was done have any be embar those who was done have any be embar the same of the same

Wing Doorbell Ringing Sect Accepts Racial Mixing as

latural; Segregation and Discrimination Held to Be Sinful

By RICHARD DIER NEW YORK—If you hear the doorbell ring one of Epistle of James. these days and open the door to be greeted by one of JeThe overwhelming majority of to 10 days and more . . . and time. It is from the latter, who meanwhile quoting passages from the Rible you might be according to Department of Jus. polls. meanwhile quoting passages from the Bible, you might be according to Department of Jus polls. interested in knowing that he represents the most remark-tice figures, 15% have had less. No Faith in UN. Mr. Richardson is the sole colable and fastest-growing organization in the world—a than grammar schooling and less. The society believes that the ored representative at the New had a college educa United Nations will fail in its pur-York-Brooklyn headquarters.

Society which has survived Hitlerism, fascism, British im-tion. perialism, persecution and abuse and whose growth is ever While there were hundreds of of Nations did, and has no con-past who departed for other miswift and rapid despite its prediction of an end to our world well-dressed, beautiful girls at the fidence of its bringing worldsionary work. of today in 1984.

Although no membership figures have ever been comtheir arrival in the city was the world, and nearly a half million within the United of "Grapes of Wrath."

States. About 15% of the total are colored; and it is to its However, in definite contract undeniable credit that no race discrimination of any kind was the arrival of one woman, who flew from her 16-suite apartment in London to attend the meeting beace.

Cleveland convention, the math peace.

When the European war ended the members there are no colored members in Poland, they never expected to on the headquarters staff or on the headquarters staff or on the discrimination, but rather again since they supposed they do discrimination, but rather that of qualifications. Jehovah's surprised to learn that 6,000 were that of qualifications only.

In London to attend the meeting pamphlets.

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Theodore Nunes, a prominent tailor of Kingston, Jamaica, was present, along with Lionel Callender, Cuban are Gilbert Lewis Talma, Trinidad; town, Trinidad, Cuba, Jamaica, Ministers are trained at representative of the society and also a full-time minister. Frederick Phillips, British Gui-Africa and Nigeria," Mr. Hanschel South Lansing, N.Y., and the 39

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And one in Melrose. At the West He explained

The society follows the policy that there should be Manhattan Unit, sometimes 40% no separation of races unless the law requires it," he said. "In the South, they have such laws; and much as we regret it, we have to separate . . . but we prefer to meet together. "Fortunately, we were allowed to meet together at our Cleveland Convention. We also had Chinese members

both church and State have failed Their representatives or mis-serving prison terms as continuous fine people of the world and that sionaries who travel throughout scientious objectors.

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On Race Mixture

They find that is the best way about \$5 a day for expenses. are out solely "for their own"
to learn the truth. They have no "We send white and colored and not for the people's good.

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"In countries where there are he is better qualified than a white to vote, serve on juries, or salute inhabitants, we'll have a and loves God and wants to serve the flag. Sat. 11 - 9 - 11

Cleveland convention, the ma peace.

ing, which also houses their own radio station, WBBR.

about 20% of the New York mem-less, the stuff was getting through bership is colored, and in the The "What wanted it. some localities.

Him. Discrimination is unscrip. In several countries, as in There are two classes of memtural, according to the General Cuba, where voting is enforced by bers: those who can devote full

radio station, WBBR. "We have branch offices all capable of turning out 12,000 Other colored branch managers over the world, including Cape pamphlets an hour.

20% in New York

have put a ban on their material around, visit congregations and

Mr. Henschel pointed out that in African territories. Neverthe-talk to them.

Missionaries Get \$5 a Day

at unit meetings. There are boxes put up at appropriate places for those who want to contribute. This was done so that those who didn't have any money wouldn't have to be embarrassed.

No Soliciting

"Nobody ever knows who gives money or where it comes from," he said. "The society in all its history never solicited for money.'

law, many of Jehovah's Witnesses time to work for the society; and

Placed on Merit

Translated into 88 Languages ords and owns five printing presses

There are also hundreds of col-He explained they had been hav ored overseers all over the U.S. ing trouble with the British, who and Europe and Africa, who travel

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To Be Sole Survivors

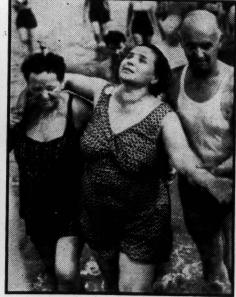


GEORGE RICHARDSON,
a member of the New York headquarters staff of Jehovah's Witnesses,
shown as he addressed 83,000 delegates from 30 nations and representing three million members, who attended the organization's international assembly in Cleveland, Ohio, last August. This fastestgrowing of all religious groups does not permit racial discrimination
of any kind. There are some 450 thousand colored Witnesses, a number in excess of the total number of AME Zionists or more than the
combined number of colored Catholics and Episcopalians in the U.S.



Jehovah's Witnesses submerge for a spiritual meeting with the Lord . . .







... and emerge with souls uplifted and happiness in their hearts

ing 2,610 men, women, and children into The mass baptism climaxed the first

Solution and happiness in their hearts

Satan is busy, oh Lord!" Then she collapsed and had to be assisted to shore.

Most of the Witnesses took the plunge in than 10,000 persons jammed the Edgegood grace. Some sprinkled themselves water Park hills and parking lots and to get used to the chilly water. Many water Park links and parking lots and sweltered for hours as they watched a elders parked their dentures with attend-strange religious ceremony. \$19944 ants before undertaking the dip. A drink From 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 100 minis-for port wine was waiting on shore for any who were chilled. The mass benting the contraction of the chilly water. Many

the water and then pronouncing them postwar international convention attended the water and then pronouncing them postwar international convention attended baptized members of the religious sect by some 60,000 Witnesses from the United called Jehovah's Witnesses. Attired in States, Europe, Africa, and Latin America. From Aug. 4 to 11, the convention delefashioned long underwear to smart haltergates gathered in the Cleveland Municipal and-shorts swim suits, the neophyte Witnesses marched into the water at the rate their leaders voice the traditional gloomy 1,000 an hour, to be toppled over back-predictions for the non-Jehovahites in the of 800 an hour, to be toppled over back- predictions for the non-Jehovahites in the ward and then led spluttering to shore.

World. Some Clevelanders protested beward only one person became hysterical. A cause the Witnesses refused to fly an
matron took her baptism with a American flag over the stadium, but offismile but came up shouting: "Oh Lord, cials ruled that they were not legally required to do so.

N. H. Knorr of Brooklyn presided at the convention and in his keynote address he denounced the United Nations as a world "conspiracy . . . for peace and security by [the members'] own political, commercial, social, military, and religious

institutions."
We can no more go along with the mass of the people in their misguided movement," Knorr warned, ". . . than we can go along with the people's rulers in Christendom. The word of God is against

joining in the popular trend."

Knorr told the Witnesses they must display "outright fearlessness" and that they must "make no compromise." He warned them that by opposing the United Nations they would be "most spoken against and attacked upon all sides."

What Witnesses Believe

The data-American Baltimore, Md.

Jehoyh's Witnesses, perhaps the world's largest religious sect.

has three million members in 30 nations and the United States. It

draws no color lines and 450,000 of its members are colored. The

United States membership totals 500,000.

They prophesy that the world will end between now and 1984

and that God will rule the world and that the only human beings left will be themselves.

They believe and follow only what is written in the Bible and follow the door-to-door selling of pamphlets and door bell ringing because the Bible says Christ's disciples followed this method to spread Christianity (Acts 20:20 and Luke 8:1).

They believe they owe on allegiance to the State but only to God and for this reason will not serve on juries, vote or salute the flag. Their authority for refusal to salute the flag or make any symbol is the Biblical admonition, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image .

They do not believe in immortality of the soul, paradise or purgatory. When one is dead, he's dead, the Witnesses say.

Studying to Teach Hebrew

NEW YORK-Employes at Emerson Radio and Phonograph Corporation used to wonder why Sarah Harvin didn't come to work on Jewish holidays. Many workers stay out on the festival days

Sarah's grandparents came to his country from Ethiopia, where the family had practiced Judaism for generations. Sarah's late father was a colored English Jew, while her mother was born in

while her mother was born in this country.

Sarah's ambition is to become a Hebrew teacher. She attends Hebrew class assiduously three nights a week at the Ethiopian congregation on 128th Street and Lenox Avenue in Harlem. She still has three and a half years to go before she graduates and becomes

fire she graduates and becomes ellgible to teach. Her 12-year-old son residing in Chicago with his maternal grandmother is preparing for his Bar Mitzvah (confirmation). "He's always correcting my Hebrew," Sarah confides. "I intend to move him and my mother to New York so that my son can study for the Rabbinate, eventually, under Rabbi Matthews."

Devoutedly Orthodox in practice, Sarah consulted Rabbi Matthews before working Saturdays at the Emerson Radio plant. "He didn't transtily like the idea," she explains "But since it was vital war work he didn't try to dissuade me from taking the job." Sarah generally attends Friday evening services brow, keeps up with her Hebrew lessons at her work bench during at the synagogue and now that the Emerson Radio rest period. Miss Harvin attends Sabbath services the war emergency is oven retrains from working on the Sab-Avenue.

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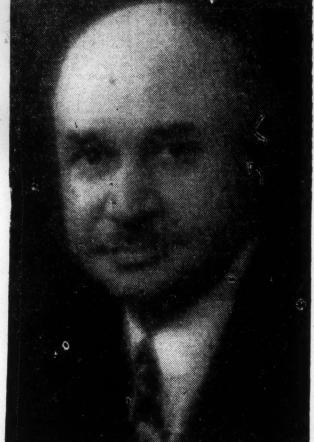
cia to THE NEW YORK TIMES. EWBURCH, May 26 - The th New York annual Conference the Methodist Church, embrac-350 churches between New York and Albany, closed it fourday session in Trinity Church here today after adopting a resolution urging Gov. Thomas E. Dewey to investigate the police killing of Negro veterans at Freeport, L. I., last February."

"We record our pride in the courageous leadership against radal injustice shown in that situation by the Rev. Theodore Bobolin, district superintendent in our New York East Conference," the resontion stated. The Conference declared willing-

less of its members to go on ationing if necessary to feed the darving world, and called on the lover ment to set aside large mounts of food for export at once. Thirty of the 200 ministers in the conference received new apy Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam. mong six chaplains returned from nilitary service was the Rev. C. C.

Former T.5 Declares to

National Conference



militar service was the Rev. C. C. Cole, appointed to the Fordham Methodist Church in the Bronx.

Methodist Church in the Bronx.

The Conference adopted a pendion plan for ministers, and voted Jurisdiction), is also president of the New Orleans Area of the Methodist Church (Central on "The Year of Stewardship" as the begin a campaign to raise to begin a campaign to raise to begin a campaign to numerous other Methodist activities, including the Rural Life Council, Aug. 22-26, for several of the sessions, of which he will Objectives for the coming year. In the Crusade for Christ." now in its second of exangelistic phase, Establishment of permanent funds; having also led in the first or financial phase by turning in \$227,000 is response to an assigned quota of \$225,000,000 was reached during the financial phase of the universal five-year plan, and the New Orleans Area and the world-wide goal of \$25,000,000 was reached during the financial phase of the universal five-year plan, and the New Orleans Area expects to save its quota of souls by "World Community Sunday," the first Sunday in October, when the Methodist Church proposes to report a talk, "the great task of Protastant-world-wide enlistment of 1,000,000 new adherents to Methodism.

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Columbus, Ohio, July 5. (A)—Council of Charles of Charles of Columbus, Ohio, July 5. (A)—Council of Charles of Council of Charles, said tour of European churches, said the church must seek "an agreement among educators of all kands on those principles of ethics and human conduct which will give to youth everywhere the same longings for a better and happier human charles of Charles of Charles of Council of Charles of Ch

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of the Northeastern jurisdiction, A METHODIST PROJECT

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men. A spokesman for the board has said, "we hope these interracial gatherings will gatherings will go far toward breaking down the barriers that are always serious handicaps to the coming of Christ's Kingdom.
Only by living and studying and working together can we come to the understanding of the common problems that affect us all and that keep up from being one in Hin. who is the Father of us all."

Among the leaders at the Iowa conference will be brilliant young James Farmer, Howard University

braduate Methodist leader. Three Bishops in Spotlight At Methodist Area Council

By W. TALBOT HANDY

WAVELAND, Miss.-The New Orleans Methodist Area Council closed last week with the anonuncement that the Council will hold no formal meeting in 1947. The session was ended with a prayer by Bishop R. E. Jones for the success of the foreign mission of Bishop R. N. Brooks, who will leave for Africa shortly after Easter next year,

The meeting was held here at Gulfside Assembly Aug. 27-30.

Highlighting this year's meeting was a speech by Bishop Ralph Ward who was a prisoner for two and a half years in a Japanese concentration camp. Bishop Ward described the tortures inflicted on him and his follows prisoner to the second seco him and his fellow prisoners. He explained that it was only through fervent prayers that he remained alive long enough to be released. Bishop Brooks, who is resident

bishop of the New Orleans Area, chose "Christian Stewardship" as

talk, "the great task of Protastant- world-wide enlistment of 1,000,000 new adherents to Methodism. More of It Found Abroad ism after the war" was to make the Bishop Brooks and his cohorts not only are leading the evangelistic phase, but also are laying the groundwork for their part in the third important phase, "stewardship."

(3) Increases in pensions; (4) Improvement of rural churches; (5) More emphasis upon church schools; (6) Wider community wel-fare programs; (7) Better race relations; (8) Cooperation with other agencies; (9) Development of a larger parish plan; (10) Continuation of schools for town and country pastors; (11) Better care of church property and building of more parsonages; (12) Urging the Ministers' Wives Associations to increase their permanent fund.

MEETING GROUND TO BE IMPROVED

Dr. F. W. Mueller of New York, Gulfside Association Extension Secretary, explained the plans for raising \$300,000 for the expansion and improvement of Gulfside Assembly Grounds. Dr. Mueller said that these plans include the erection of the Harry Housier Auditorium, additional dormitory space,

Bishop R. E. Jones in responding to a report by the Committee on Courtesies, said that much progress has been made in the area under the dynamic leadership of Bishop Brooks. He explained that Bishop Brooks has been assigned to his African study by the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church and that he will cover not only Liberia but the entire continent. This study, Bishop Jones said, is the beginning of a new day in the life of world Methodism.

OTHER SPEAKERS AND OFFICERS

Ninety Third Division in the Pa among the veterans and the bishops office declared in an address pre-tomorrow and Saturday. Bishop ared for the opening session of G. Broomley Oxnam, of New York in finging together hundreds of Methodist Veterans' president of the Federal Council North Central jurisdictions of the Methodist Veterans' president of the Federal Council Scores of Negro youth in the number.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—The young peoples' leadership conferences Tenn.; Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, editor cago; Dr. M. S. Davage, Nashville, cago; Dr. M. S. Davage, Dr. M. S. Dr. M. S. Other speakers at the meeting included the Rev. I. B. Loud, who

NEGRO CLERYMEN of Knoxthe have accepted an invitation to Cummings, executive secretary of in the inter-denominational al-Cummings, executive secretary of ance of white ministers following the Metropolitan Church federate acoption of a motion to lower tion. central Protestant church color bars to Negro churchmen operative organization, said nominations from the meeting floor interior in the Holston Methodist were then opened, but no other nominations were made and Dr.

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AME church, here was named to Hardeman. succeed the Rev. D. E. Paul Sylvester, pastor of Pilgrim Congregational church at the alliance's Negro Ministers the church last Monday.

Dr. Love was absent from the Form Alliance meeting, conducting a funeral

Illiance. Several Negro ministers remembers, but the majority are white.

The new president was named to succeed the Rev. D. E. Paul Sylvester, pastor of Pilgrim Congregational church at the alliance's final meteing of the season, at the first time in the history of olds, the Rev. R. M. Ferrell, the first time in the history of olds, the Rev. R. M. Ferrell, the the Ministerial Alliance of Great-elected to head the interdenomina-ris, the Rev. C. C. Cloud, Dr. H. Harelected to head the interdenomina-ris, the Rev. C. C. Russell, the Rev. tional group to which most city W. A. Reid, who is president of and county Protestant ministers the Alliance, the Rev. F. L. Wilbelong.

The Ministerial Alliance voted unanimously to aid the League in this undertaking.

Dr. T. W. Smith, pastor of the First African Baptist church, was named chairman of a special steering committee with the following pastors as his assistants: The Rev. St. Louis a Negro minister was the Rev. J. T. Amie, the Rev. H. I. Bearden, the Rev. A. W. Fortson, er St. Louis a Negro minister was the Rev. C. C. Cloud, Dr. H. Harelected to head the interdenomina-ris, the Rev. C. C. Russell, the Rev. tional group to which most city W. A. Reid, who is president of and county Protestant ministers the Alliance, the Rev. F. L. Wilbelong.

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when the nominating committee Miniters of all denominations recommended him as the new of the city met at Bethel A. M. E. president. Rev. Dr. Clark Walker church Wednesday at 11 a. m., and Cummings, executive secretary of organized the Ministers Interthe Metropolitain church federa denominational Alliance. Officers tion, central Protestant church steele were the Rev. C. Kelsie cooperative organization, said church, president; the Rev. G. B. Tove was absent from the nominations from the meeting than an minister of Bethel A. M. E. conducting a funeral floor were then opened, but no church, rice president; the Rev. U. meeting nominating committee other nomination were made and G. Campbell, pastor, Williams Mentel the him as the flow.

Dr. Somerville Addresses Liberian

House of Representatives

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Dr. Wen. asserted:

The executive

dell C. Somerville, executive sec- The execution of such an am tary of the Lott Carey Baptist bitious program as envisaged by

to his headquarters here after a brief wisit to the Republic of Africa, during which he addressed the Liberian resentatives.

amounted plans of the Lott Carey independent Negro Republic."

whole of Africa." Continuing, he sentials and embarked upon great race relations for the international sum of educational schemes.

YMCA. \$50,000 to commence expansion "But the circumstances of war

Foreign Mission Convention, has Lott Carey Foreign Mission Board would demonstrate in no uncertain manner the genuine interest in Liberia, of race-conscious American Negroes and their undoubted ability to contributea in a real and constructive measure to its needs. It now remains for Liberians to signify their appreciation of such efforts by the inauguration of a policy designed not merely to counteract the impression that we do not want Arfican-Americans here, but to attract them in every increasing numbers to come and he august body. Dr. Somerville help us build a strong and really

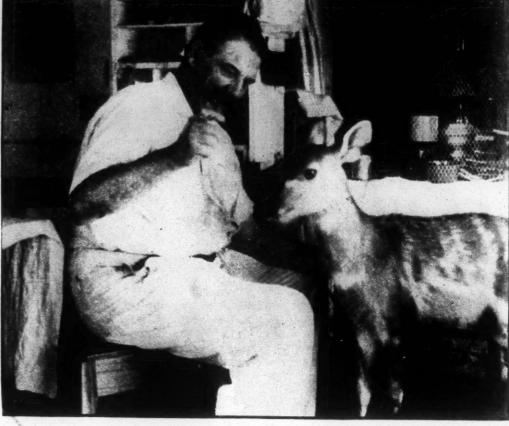
Responding to an invitation, he (ANP)—South African adherents our bishops to sail over to South moke before the legislators on Dec. of the African Methodist Episco-Africa, but in vain.

of being able to appear before and address such a body. He paid tribute to Liberian leadership for the preservation of the country's in South Africa and saying that the liberian description of the country's in South Africa and saying that the liberian director of the Pholose autonomy, and gave assurance of it offers an appropriate time for H. Tobias, director of the Phelps-

Liberian newspaper. "the leading welfare of this district, with re- for better education in Africa and Mastery without Talent. Albert

work was already available, that if made it impossible for our bishops was the nope that all materials to serve us directly. The last nd labor for construction purposes eight years have been a period of ould be secured right here to the anxious waiting and in consebenefit of the country, quence the machinery of the announced by Dr. Somerville, the function. Our prayers have con-

CAPETOWN, South Africa, stantly been for availability for



ALBERT SCHWEITZER & PET IN AFRICA

The book hardly tries to prove that charter of a great ethical faith. man. But it does give recognition to a little-known "scholar's scholar." At 30. the deep and sincere interest of such an appointment.

American Negroes in this Republic.

Rev. M. J. Qupe, an active native minister, made this statement:

Stokes Fund since May 1, will Albert Schweitzer decided to relinquish leave this week to represent the Fund at the West Central African Regional Missionary conference to er, theologian, philosopher, historian. Dr. Somerville explained that he id come to Liberia to inaugurate ans to make of Lott Carey Mission at Brewerville, declared the Liberian newspaper. "the leading worked with the composition of the compos

educational institution—not only in markable success. They led the improved U.S.-Africa relations. He Schweitzer, an Alsatian, was the son and Liberia or West Africa,—but in the way, shed great light on main es- was formerly senior secretary in grandson of schoolteachers and Evangelical ministers. At nine he played the organ great organist Charles Marie Widor. By his teens he had developed a fascination for "mastering subjects for which around, and frequently read the Africa.

But the missionary society would send a But the missionary send a But t

ANP)—South African adherents our bishops to sail over to South of the African Methodist Episco.

Impressed by his remarks, the Weekly Mirror. Liberian news and religious work in this area, policy "designed, not merely to counteract the impression that we fine the health of the health of the counteract the impression that we fine the health of the heal ing to an end, to be followed by a super-

Schweitzer is the world's greatest living published a volume on Immanuel Kant, By the time he was 24. Schweitzer had \(\bar{\gamma} \) earned two doctorates (theology and philosophy) at Strasbourg University, and a become a curate. His superiors had to \(\preceq\) order him to preach for a full 20 minutes when parishioners complained that \(\xi\) Schweitzer just "stopped speaking when he found he had nothing more to say." As a sideline, he wrote (in French) at tive study of Bach, and rewrote it from because the idea of mere translation bored him.

Mute as a Carp. One sunny summer morning in his Alsace home, he resolved to in church, later studied in Paris under the seek the meaning in the words of Jesus: "Whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it." A Paris mis-

On maneuvers in 1894 as a German out no minister who did not fulfill its doc-

tzer's first hernia operation. Soon word spread through the jungle about the white Oganga (medicine man) who could kill a native, cut him open and then bring him back to life with no pain in his belly. Africans with malaria, leprosy, sleeping sickness, hernia, elephantiasis and dysentery trooped in from 400 kilometers around.

Black Brother's Keeper. Says Schweitzer: "Have we white people the right to impose our rule on primitive and semiprimitive peoples. . . ? No, if we only want to rule over them and draw material advantage from their country. Yes, if we seriously desire to educate them and help them to attain to a condition of wellbeing."

But white men, too, live on a level far below their capacities. "The spirit of our age . . . is filled with disdain for thinking. . . The organized political, social and religious associations of our time are at work to induce the individual man [to take his convictions] ready made [as] electric advertisements exercise pressure on him to buy their boot polish or their soup tablets."

In World War I, the French seized Schweitzer in Africa as an enemy alien, in terned him in the Pyrenees. In prison, he wrote a philosophy of civilization, shad-ow-played the organ at a table to keep his fingers and footwork)limber, acted as doctor and preacher, and picked the brains of a polyglot crew of interned scholars, merchants and artisans because there were no books around for him to read. Schweitzer got back to Lambaréné in 1924, found that ants and the jungle had destroyed his hospital. He started all over again. In World War II the French left him alone.

Today Lambaréné boasts three doctors, six European nurses, ten African assistants, 300 hospital beds, a lying-in ward the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship, a small but energetic world organization of his SHE'S BLONDE AND 24

Last week the debilitating rainy season was nearing an end in Lambaréné. News of the far-off publication of Roback & Co.'s eulogy had not yet reached the hulking. walrus-mustached, 71-year-old subject. Schweitzer, "still passably robust," waswhen last heard from-busy playing Bach on his ant-proof piano-organ, treating and teaching the Africans, and writing his 21st

* Among the contributors: Theologian J. S. Bix. TOCCOA, June 3—The wind blonde and 24, wanted to do in life a difficult terrain. The mission are provided in the whiteling pro



Constitution Staff Photo-B. W. Callaway

and an asylum for the insane (whom the SHE'LL FLY AS A MISSIONARY IN AFRICA-Blonde Alma Siewert, 24, chats with natives used to drown). Medicine, sup-her instructor, Ernest Frost, former ATC pilot, before taking her plane aloft for a last plies and money reach the mission from flight over Toccoa. She is a missionary and hopes to use a plane in her work.

Minded Toccoa Falls Grad Fly as Missionary in Africa

Constitution Staff Writer.

her heart than apy spot on earth.

But at the moment she was fix- distances and its tough terrain." That was the land of beautiful ing to fly again. Along with eight ued, the missionary can fly over

That was the land of beautiful falls, as the Indians called it; men, she had learned to fly at malarial areas, over desert strips, men, she had learned to fly at malarial areas, over desert strips, over the high mountains, across wadis and lakes and rivers.

Toccoa Falls Schools, which had she had learned to fly, as the men provided her the opportunity of had, so that she could use a plane are taking to planes. Simply be-

doing what she wanted to do in in mission work in Africa.

Africa is a place of such vast ler, president of Maine's Colby College; Har from the whirling propeller put was to be a missionary. She was aries have found that it is not the graduating from Tocco Falls work, not the climate, and not moment later, she would be tak.

Schools. Soon she would be leaving for French West Africa to be. It's going from district to district ing her plane aloft for a last look ing for French West Africa to be ing for French West Africa to

cause they can cover more territory in lands without railroads, without roads. Simply because by flying you can reach more people. Allanta Constitution Miss Siewert said use of planes

already has been tested by missionaries in Borneo. They have found them of immense value. Usually, she explained, the flying missionary is trained as a combination airman, navigator and mechanic, but in Africa there are plans to use missionary mechanics, who will service the planes of

"I realize," says Miss Siewert, "that flying in Africa is a man's job. It will take strong nerves. I am very humble about it all. I just hope that what I do will be an inspiration to men. We need

more men in the mission field."

Miss Siewert plans to leave for Africa sometime in the Fall. After leaving Toccoa Falls Schools, she will take a month's study of languages at Marquette Univer-

Her plane—she hasn't gotten it yet but feels sure that, like her yet but feels sure that, like her surgician, it will be provided— engagement to the surgician of the surgician landing both on water and on hard type costs land. A plane of that type costs o around \$4,000.

FROM LIBERIA



DR. H. H. JONES Regarded as one of the most successful missionaries to Africa, Dr. H. H. Jones, who left America in 1902 for Liberia, has returned to Chicago for a visit. His mission at Klay, Liberia, is self-supporting and he says the country offers unlimited opportunities to progressive young Americans. Heis stopping at the YMCA, 3763 Wabash ave. Dr. Jones will visit other large cities in the States before returning.

1946

Missions, Foreign

EN ROUTE TO AFRICA. Dr. Channing Tobias, chairman, of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, yaves a cheery goodbye as he boards a Pan-American Airways clipper bound for a missionary convention in Africa which is scheduled for the latter part of the month. Dr. Tobias will tour several coun-True Missionary Work

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Still at work in Lambarene, French Equatorial Africa, it ware, South Carolina, and many other points.

71-year-old Dr. Albert Schweitzer, one of the greatest mis sionaries of modern times before American Dr. Abraham Aaron Roback, one time Harvard University L. Scarborough of Columbus instructor, has just published the Albert Schweitzer Jubilee Ohio, was elected to succeed the Rev. G. O. Bullock of Washing Darkersburg, Va., T. S. Harten of without parallel in our generation. Book in a limited edition of 1,050 copies to honor this "man without parallel in our generation." Boltange Wention.

Dr. Schweitzer, musician, theologian, philosopher, livered Wednesday evening by the preacher, teacher and author, as well as physician skilled in Rev. C. E. Griffin, pastor of the points.

D.C. Minister New Prexy During the session, the Rev. N. Washington, Pa.;
The Revs. C. L. Aikens of Atlantic City, N.J., E. E. Smith of Richmond, Va., R. H. Rucker of Washington, Pa.;
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Philly Minister Secretary

jungle medicine, said upon his arrival in Africa, 33 yearsFirst Calvary Baptist Church, The Revs. J. H. Moore of Phila-

"Have we white people the right to impose our rule on All evening sessions were held Jasper Freeman of Norfolk, Va., primitive and semi-primitive people? No, if we only want the Market Square Presby assistant recording secretary; The Revs. A. W. Brown of Rich-

to rule over them and draw material advantage from their Auxiliary Head Re-elected mond, Va., treasurer; H. T. Gaskin country. Yes, if we seriously desire to educate them and help Mrs. A. B. Randolph of Wash of Washington, D.C., auditor; and ington, D.C., was re-elected chair P. A. Bishop of Rich Square, N.C., n to attain a condition of well being."

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him in his medical work, sought the meaning in the words of missionaries working in the Belgi-

s:
"Whosoever will save his life, shall lose it; but whoso-West Africa, and is sponsoring

ever will lose his life, for my sake, the same shall save it." eseven foreign students at uni-As a result of Dr. Schweitzer's work, Lambarene now Versities in the United States. boasts three doctors, six European nurses, ten African as- Missionaries attending the sessistants, 300 hospital beds, a lying-in ward and an asylumsions were

for the insane. A world organization of admirers, banded to Miss Minnie C. Lyons of Liberia, gether as the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship, furnishes and Dr. and Mrs. Bois A. Harris medicine and supplies to carry on this work

In the old days when Dr. Max Yergan was in South Africa, Dr. E. Stanley Jones was in India, and Dr. Schweitzer was in French Equatorial Africa as missionaries, it was said that these three undoubtedly represented the greatest missionaries of our day, and the finest examples of unselfish devotion to human welfare.

Through the strength of their convictions these men have made a practical application of Christianity to everyday living. Our hope is that from the present generation will rise leadership capable of carrying on the work which they have begun.

ott Carey Convention Okeys 000 Program in Atrica

Foreign students here were: A \$75,000 building program for Africa, an honor roll student atords show that the church, the Liberia, West Africa, was ap New York University; and threeRev. C. L. Griffin, pastor, contrib-proved last week by the Lott Haitian students, Miss Paulette St. uted \$3,550 during the fiscal year, Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Fore, Maurice Stuppard, and Miss Aug. 1, 1945, to July 31, 1946. Convention in its 49th annual sess Gracieuse Dextra.

This represents the largest amount sign at the Enon Tabernacle Pan Office Residues 11. sion at the Enon Tabernacle Bap-oYfw. 8r;;q 1fi hlv rdwlyaoltl lagiven by any church in that pe-

tist Church here last week. e 1 a28ii,lh wawtwawt A \$5,000 contribution to the con-The program, which will beginvention was reported by the Lay-immediately, was adopted on theman's League which re-elected R. ton, the Rev. G. O. Bullock, pasrecommendation of the Rev. Wen-L. Holloman of Norfolk, Va., as tor, contributed \$3,005 in the same dell C. Somerville of Washington, chairman.

D.C., executive secretary 2500 for Scholarships The secretary further recom-Church, re-elected Miss Odessa contributor for 22 consecutive mended that a \$2,500 fund be setEdmonds of Richmond, Va., as years. aside for student scholarships, president and that foreign workers be given The 48th annual session will be sions Aug. 1, 1945, to July 31,

a 10 per cent bonus. Approximately 1,225 delegatesBaptist Church there. to the meeting were also informed that the \$100,000 campaign goal

had been exceeded by \$13,931.57. convention from Illinois, Ohio the executive board; O. S. Bullock West Virginia, Florida, Maryland of Raleigh, N.C., first vice-presi-D.C., Michigan, New York, Deladent;

Norfolk, Va.

Church Pays \$3,500 for The Use American Ballimore, Mrs. Missions to Lead Baptists WASHINGTON

the second consecutive irst Calvary Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va., has contributed a larger amount of money for Foreign Missions than any other colored church, according to Dr. Wendell C. Somerville, Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention executive secretary.

Miss Eugenia Holmes of West Foreign Mission Convention rec-

Layman's League Gives \$5000 riod.

A 22-Year Record

Third Baptist Church, Washingperiod and ranks second. Until The Junior Department, meet. 1944, Third Baptist Church held ing in the Memorial Baptist the record for being the largest

Total receipts for foreign misheld in Roanoke, Va., at the First 1946 is \$113,931.57 and the amount used for operating expenses is \$8,247.89, which leaves a balance of \$105,683.68 to be spent on the

Officers Listed Other officers are:

The Revs. W. L. Ransome, Rich. foreign field. Representatives came to the mond, Va., re-elected chairman of

The Rev. Mr. Somerville who has served for five years, was re

ywed Missionaries to Fly Agro-American Baltimore, Md. with America Next Month

the brides parents, Dr. and Barbara Ramseur Br. James E. Lee, 134 Monmouth t, will by to South America for

WARK-The Rev. Mr. and Bridal Shower for John H. Wright, who were Bridal Shower for

at the home of Mrs. Mary M. Scales Tabernacle at 692 Eighth Avenue,

Miss Ramseur was married to all this week. James Hilton Helper on June 12. Missionaries serving in French

Indo-China for periods of five to Miss Barbara Irene Ramseur, seven years received as gifts or honoree; Misses Louise Ramseur, purchased in native shops hand-Geneva Bowman, Sallye Bowman, woven cloth, dipped and dyed in Claudia Boyd, Beatrice Cappege, minute pieces; hand-wrought brass,

Jacqueline Fitch; gongs and tribesmen's gourds.

Misses Delores Mason, Juanita These items, with a Bible printed
Nash, and Mary Pearson; Mesdames in the Annamese dialect and na-William K. O. Lyles, Hosia Coardtive books illustrated with silken Sharpe and Mary Solomon Smith figures, were grouped according to



colored missionaries and their families have been sent to Africa by the Seventh Day Adventists, it was disclosed here last week as

Skin of Boa and Witch Doctor's Headdress Shown in Display of Gifts to Missionaries The Times new York, No. 4. Sallo-5.

Missins, Foreign

A witch doctor's headdress, a From China proper are ancient 20-foot skin of a boa constrictor costumes, dug up from old graves, and a hand-woven grass map of and models of feet bound in silken the Philippine Islands were among slippers. A Palestinian peasant the many gifts from native con-woman's dress and robes of an

werts to Christian Alliance mis-Arabian King also are shown. sionaries in various parts of the WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.— Misshiption yesterday at the sixty-bride third annual missionary convencelect, was honored when Miss Virtion being held at the Gospel ginia Lyles entertained at a shower Tabernacle. The exhibits at the and silver jewelry, contributed the home of Mrs. Mary M. Scales Tabernacle. The exhibits at the Ecuador Peru Argentina (1988). Natives of the Netherlands Indies are represented by baskets and replicas of wooden boats. From converts in South America come llama rugs, ponchos, drums and silver jewelry, contributed by Ecuador, Peru, Argentina, Colomfourth Streets, will be on display bia and Chile, the largest missionary fields of the continent.

A collection of musical instruments includes an African xylophone, made by natives with no. technical instruments, yet possessing perfect pitch-and resonance; Siamese flute and an African

Visitors to the exhibit, which is under the direction of the Rev. Gilbert H. Johnson, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, sipped native tea prepared in an Annamese hand-wrought tea pot.

Dr. Nathan R. Wood, president emeritus of the Gordon College of Theology and Missions in Boston, was the speaker at yesterday's opening session. -Missionaries who will speak later include the Rev. John Clark, worker in Ecuador; Mrs. Reuben Judson, missionary in the Philippines since 1936, and Mrs. A. Macaw, who taught school in the Congo. 10 - 5 - 46 many as 19 papers at a single session.

They are the key. Nathanier is a stitudy strong pizze little Cathar finally picked up speed, reached some debanks and family, the Rev. Dun-rine Mabie won a bookfet which told the bar Henry and wife and Prof. and one of the Lott Carey Baptist issionary Convention.

To Supervise Missions
The Rev. Mr. Wright, son of the Rev. Donald B. Sierra Leone.

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"A poor woman without resources put a publication of the largest religious publication of



MRS. JOHN H. WRIGHT

Sat 7-6-46 WASHINGTON (ANP)—Three

the 45th general conference was Congo Christians with the Congo. In the Congo Christians was 19 papers at a single session.

They are the Rev. Nathaniel As a Sunday school prize little Cathanially picked up speed, reached some definally picked up speed, reached some decisions: to concentrate on raising the fam-

nomination operates at Nashville. Dr. Mabie retired. Last week, at 74, she monished them in parable, Said he:

In the same area, the Adventists was back in Leopoldville. The occasion: monished them in parable, Said he:

"Mright, formerly on the of the largest religious publications in America. The Rev. G. E. Old-Congo-Hand Mabie tartly: "I aming the kids to collect firewood and huff-personal tists.

School here, Shaw University and the Rev. L. H. Bland, president of Blabop in Raleigh, N.C., and the Work and Blabop in Raleigh, N.C., and the Work and Graduate

Howard University School of Social More and Difference, Chicago, the Rev. H. Wagner, president of the More and Difference, Chicago, the Rev. H. R. delegates (Chicago, the Rev. H. R. delegates). The Allegate of the More and State Teachers' College and and State Teachers' Col



BAPTIST MABIE . a. wondered about Timothy.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEET-ING of the National Conference of Church Leaders, made up of Negro and white leaders of 13 denominations, will be held this year at Lincoln University, Pa., April 23-24, it was announced in New York City by Dr. George E. Haynes, executive secretary of the race relations department of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and secretary of the conference.

Sponsored by the race relations department in cooperation with the home missions council of North America, the national conference was set up to emble national and state church leaders of Negro, white, Indian and Japanese ancestry to share their thoughts and clarify their views on issues of mutual concern to them and to their churches as a basis for action.

as a basis for action.

Topics to be discussed at Lincoln are: The churches, sharecroppers and tenants, what church councils can do to improve race relations, the churches and migrant workers, in service training of Negro ministers. Memoranda on these topics are being prepared by committees of exports and will be sent to delegates for study before the meeting.

Committee chairmen include Dr. Henry Richardson, vice president and chaplain of Tuskegee Institute; Henry W. Pope, director of services to Negroes of the National USO; Dr. William Stuart Nelson, dean, school of religion of Howard University, and Miss Edith Lowry, executive secretary of the Home Missions Council of North America.

Negro New York City. and religious groups of OTHER LEADERS oyterian Church, U. S. A., Boarding and day school repre-



John D. Gregary has resigned as to be received, on the basis of trying to do God's bidding. I think pastor of historic Rye Presbyterian their professional faith in Jesus it knows what it is up against. I leaders Church in White Plains, N. Y., be-Christ as Lord and Savior. commend its example to other intatives cause some of the officers and memwere the three field representatives cause some of the officers and memof the synods, the Revs. H. L. bers would not accept his demo- THE ABOVE resolutions repreof the synods, the Revs. H. L. pers would not accept his demo- THE ABOVE resolutions repre-counts, Knoxville, Tenns, C. W. cratic method of conducting serv-sent steps taken to implement the Counts, Knoxville, Tenns, C. W. cratic method of conducting serv-sent steps taken to implement the Talley, Winnsboro, S. C.; and F. C. ices. During his pastorate at the declarations on the race question, Charlotte, N. C. Discuss-church he admitted persons of all passed by the General Assembly Shirley, Charlotte, N. C. Welch races and refused to show any form of the church in Atlantic City in of discrimination Stovall Photo.

THE HORIZON

Presbyterian Church Leadership Takes Positive Steps Toward Brotherhood

The Courier Sillings San Sat 7-27-46
IM CROW is becoming more and more embarrassing to the Christian Church and the Soldiers of the Cross. Leadership in some churches feels impelled to act in the face sed \$32,000 since Jan. 1 on sentatives were under the leader-of a situation which it cannot defend. The ordeal which this leadership is suffering and oal of \$126,000 on the restor-ship of Miss Edna Voss of the is going to suffer can be likened to a refining process. Most persons will regard hopefully The total amount to be raised Among the leaders of the schools know that, no matter how much post questioned several pastors in went on record as opposing fed-or, 00,000. The quota is to be Harveson College, Irmo, S. C.: Dr. ship now looking there by May 31.

Herbert Marshall, president, Coul. toward Christ will reacted to the new orders. It is schools, a bill for which is now encouraging to note that not a pending in Congress.

ALBANY, Ga., Sept. 26.-(A)-

The Presbyterian Synod of Geor-

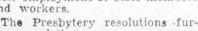
gia, in closing its 102nd session

Wednesday, adopted a resolution

ed the basic rightness of the orrs. Said Dr. G. Barrett Rich of Pastor Favors

"I endorse the resolutions 100 Pastor Favors the First United Church: even to the crucial point of accept-

the church were called upon to eliminate discrimination in



should practice daily Christian dis- congregations." cipline in the matter of language, IN THAT STATEMENT, of course, mended the new extension proavoiding the use of such terms as IN THAT STATEMENT, of course, mended the new extension promise and should refuse to repeat stories, sion, that the Christian church tion of the South which was all

a view toward including members position to be in. It is also un-address to the Presbytery at 10:30 of other racial groups in their pro- Christian because it fails to admit a. m. today. Special training is also given at gram wherever possible, and also all men to brotherhood.

Smith University here for youth of TOO DEMOCRATIC The Rev. Dr. should receive into communicant I'm encouraged to see the leadermembership all persons who seek ship of the Presbyterian Church to be received, on the basis of the presbyterian Church

> Synod Deplores Monroe Lynchings

May. They indicate that there is deploring the lynchings of four pressure from the top to eliminate Negroes in Monroe, Ga., in July pressure from the top to eliminate and recommending vigilance on racial discrimination from the the part of law enforcement and church. Evidence is already at hand government officials to prevent to show that pastors are being any such future occurrences. The required to face up to the problem synod also adopted a resolution and the new orders from Atlanticapproving President Truman's offer of assistance to displaced per-City and Philadelphia.

per cent and hope the Cincinnati Presbytery will also endorse them." New Deal ing Negroes into membership, was only one of the pastors question. Negro Members

as above.

Only one of the pastors questioned, however, faced the real issue involved in segregated churches, that of social intermingling. He was Dr. Edward W. Stimson of Knox Presbyterian Church. Said he, in part:

"If churches were merely assometications for worship and the service of the Atlanta Presbyterian Church of the Atl nd workers.

ciations for worship and the service Druid Hills Presbyterian Church

The Presbytery resolutions fur of Christ, racial differences should never be considered. People should

"We need under standing

nission on the basis of merits of cal problem of interracial marriage Negroes. Today there are lewer unfortunately is necessarily raised Negro members in our denomination of the problem of interracial tion than when it was first or sensor tions. ganized in 1861.

ther urged that:

(1) Presbyterian laymen engaged in personnel work consider applicants for jobs strictly on the applicant's qualifications, wholly irrespective of race, creed or color;

with programs providing such close should be welcome to worship in any "We need understanding the welcome to worship in any "We need understanding the welcome to worship in any "hearts," the former Moderator of the church regardless of race or color, and in my own churches have been the General Assembly and expective of race, creed or color; with programs providing such close church here, said in his discussions. pective of race, creed or color; with programs providing such close with programs providing such close ion on the attitude of the South essional schools should grant adriage within the group, the sociolimission on the basis of merits of cal problem of interracial marriage Negroes. "Today there are fewer unfortunately is necessarily raised Negro members in our definition."

humorous or otherwise, which reflect on racial or religious groups; fears social equality and inter(4) Presbyterian churches should marriage, or feels neither to be sembly.

minister to their communities with expedient or wise. It is an illogical Dr. Lingle delivers his third

sbyterians Report \$32,000 on ,000 Drive in Race Churches

evealed at the annual work-the Rev. L. W. Davis, president to the embrace of conference held under the au-Cotton Plant Academy, Cottorjim crow. A spices of the Unit of Work with Plant, Ark.; Dr. L. S. Cozart, preschange is coming.

Colored People of the Presbyter-ident, Barber-Scotia College, Com. In Cincinnati ian Church, U. S. A., of which Dr. cord, N. C.; Dr. H. S. Davis, prescreently, I picked A. B. McCoy, Atlanta, Ga., i. sec-ident, Mary Potter School, Oxfordthe resolutions on retary, held here at Johnson C. N. C.; R. E. Lee, president, Swifthe race problem Smith University, March 5-7. Hun-Junior College, Rogersville, Tenn.passed by the dreds of Presbyterians from as far L. S. Brown, president, Seldom Presbytery of Philadelphia, in West as the states of Texas, Okla-Gillespie College, Cordele, Gawhich all boards home, and Missouri attended the and Harold N. Stinson, Boggand agencies of Fifteen states were Academy, Keysville, Ga.

Each evening more than 1,000 persons gathered in the university church to hear addresses. Dr. Horace Mann Bond, president, Lincoln (?a.,) University; Dr. Hardy Liston, executive vice president, Smith University, and Dr. Charles Welch brought the messages. WHERE NEGROES SERVE

Dr. S. Q. Mitchell, a member of the board of foreign missions, declared in an official message, that Negroes now have an opportunity to serve not only in Africa, but in China, India, Iran, Iraq, Latin-America, and the islands of the Pacific.

Many young men and women of our group are taking special training in the school of religious education at McCormack Seminary, Chicago, and are being sent to parishes throughout the country.

Sectional conference Shirley, Charlotte, N. C. Discuss- races and refused to show any form of the church in Atlantic City in ions leaders were: Dr. C. Welch, of discrimination a Stavell Photoformer general assembly moderator; Dr. J. F. Riggs of the General Council, New York City; Dr A. H. Prince, director of evangelism; Prof. Marcus Boulware, N. College; the Rev. R. L. Jeans, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. Earl Jackman, superintendent of Sunday school missions and Alaskan rork. SM 3-16-4 6 Parish and War Service Workers ere under the leadership of Mrs.

M. Jamison, supervisor of par-

Dr. Thomas Foster, sec

their employment of staff members

ther urged that

a free world includes men of every color and race."-FRANKLIN DELA-NO ROOSEVELT.

Located in New York

The institute is located at historic Labor Temple in New York City's lower East Side. With its location in a workers' section of the city of New York, it affords excellent study conditions for the courses given. During his study, Mr. Simmons will be expected to prepare two reports during the term to be presented to the class he attends for study. One of the reports will be based on his individual reading and research during the term, while the other will be a



Rev. Wm. James Simmons

draft of a new program of ministry to his own congregation.

One of the specific courses which he will undertake in New York will be "Building a program for the church in city and industrial areas" to be taught by Dean Scott, Dr. Jacob A. Long, founder of the institute; Rev. David W. Barry, research and survey assistant, unit of city and industrial work for the board of national missions of the Presbyterian church in the U. S. A.; Dr. Buttrick and Ellis Van Riper, Christian layman and member of the Transport Workers union.

More than a million and a half members are numbered among the Protestant churches in New York City. Among these are represented many denominations, races, shades of color and walks of life. When these individuals and organizations wish to speak with a single voice, and to act with the strength of unity, they do so through the Protestant Council of the City of New York. An opportunity for such expression comes many times a year in those cooperative projects in which the Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish faiths marshal their re-

Through fields of service in evant gelism human relations, Christian education, church extension, women's work church cooperation, hospital and prison chaplaincy, youth work, industrial relations, war-related services, interracial relations, peace education, ministering to service men and many other projects, the Protestant Council carries on its program. In the work it does in making better Christians for tomorrow through religious education alone the council makes its influence widely felt for the public good. This it does through week-day schools after class hours, vacation Bible schools, boys' clubs and camps and many other activities. The council and its members rely upon voluntary gifts for support, receiving no aid from the Greater New York Fund. A budget of \$320,000 is being sought in a campaign now proceeding to finance this broad and useful program. Gifts may be sent to the Protestant Council offices at 46 Cedar Street, New York 5. 3.10-46

of Community Interracial Relationships
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By J. W. WOODS

posed of colored people alo posed of colored people along the \$18,000.

Foreigners Resented

The rumble and ruin of four wars, the courage of a Quaker farm woman, and the breath-taking adventures of the Underground Railroad are bound up in the history of the Friends Neighborhood Guild, Fourth and Green Sts., now in its 70th year.

posed of colored people along the The guild, just as in the days of Delaware River shore.

Called the Beech St. Mission for its infancy, receives small amounts from the Abolition Society, the newer name for the Society for the Friends Meeting (or church) in Philadelphia.

However, when Europeans heard the often exaggerated stories of fabulous America, many of them made their way here a great number of the post of the suit of the Abolition Society, the newer name for the Society for the Free Education of Orderly Blacks.

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The guild is in the middle of a ber settling into the Fourth and busy summer of playground pro-Green neighborhood of the city.

grams, camping, and excursions for

Foreigners Resented little folks, youths, young adults

and old folks.

Gives Medical Aid

Its medical services, the year economic level, moved out of the round, dispense cures and pre-neighborhood as fast as the new-

ventives to the neighborhood.

During the longer winter season, activities of interest to all age groups include: the crafts, homemaking, storytelling, discussion groups, team games, music, play N. Fourth St. and the real job of groups, reading classes, mothers' clubs, willing workers' and check-

Meeting House was built on Fourth and Poplar Sts.

of the guild.

tunnel itself is believed to have comes normal.

Hid Slaves in Brewery

Southern plantation would climb colored.

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door, half a block from the farm Largest in City Interne in Industry unit is of Amy Johnson, one of his chief Mr. Bosworth attributes the suc-benefactors in this area. Thencess of his settlement house, the benefactors in the Canada, beyondlargest, he says, in the city, to he would go on the city, lo legal reach of slave hunters' blood the careful attention his teachers

Director Unbiased Directed by Francis Bosworth helped tremendously, since it gives its voluble, race-integrating spe the teachers an insight into the cialist, the guild is proud of thehomes of their charges, and simplifact that in 1879 it was Friendsfies the method of dealing with Mission No. 1, at Beech St. andthem. Directed by Francis Bosworth helped tremendously, since it gives Home-visiting, he believes, has Mission No. 1, which was com- Whole families have responded

to this treatment by joining the guild and putting their hearts into serving the neighborhood.

Society Still Contributes

The settlement house, a member of the Community Fund, has grown so fast that its \$15,000 grant of 1943 has been increased to \$57,-000 for this year.

Of this amount the Community Fund contributed \$39,000 and the Religious Society of Friends,

The guild, just as in the days of

made their way here, a great num-Apparently resenting the influx of the foreign-born, the colored people, and whites in the upper

live in employes' quarters.

Meeting House was built on Fourth
St. near Green.

Woman Started R.R.

In the middle of the 19th Century, Amy Johnson, a Quaker with the neighborhood as a whole. Talley, Kansas City, and Barbara woman active in the Abolitionist Movement, organized the Undermonth of the Movement of the Movement, organized the Undermonth of the Movement o

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A four-block tunnel runs from
The members of the guild's in- of Alapaha, Ga., a children's workthe Delaware River to Tourist and terracial excursions are somewhat er at Rockland; Winifred Turner roughly parallel to Green St., and terracial excursions are somewhat er at Rockland; Winifred Turner in the meeting house apprehensive on their first trip of November 1988. roughly parallel to dicell so, use apprehensive on their first trip, of Norfolk, Va., woman's attendant terminates in the meeting house apprehensive on their relationship to a scaled now, and the but soon their relationship to a Rockland; Winifred Turner terminates in the incetting house. From the but soon their relationship be at Rockland, and Sophia J. Monroe both ends are sealed now, and the but soon their relationship be at Rockland, and Sophia J. Monroe itself is believed to have comes normal.

Hid Slaves in Brewery

visit the maternal health and baby

Ever so often, between 1812 and clinics, under the capable direction of Dr. Dorothy Lynn, who is roject this winter. It is called label, a fugitive from some large tion of Dr. Dorothy Lynn, who is Interne in Industry, and young The Friends Service Committee Southern plantation would clinic colored.

Southern plantation would clinic colored.

But the clinics are always well-dustry in Philadelphia live to-basement of the meeting house. attended, both parents and pagether and study labor-management would be hidden, if neces-tients placing complete confidence ment problems. Like all other in a sack in the brewery next in their brown-skinned physician. He would be the brewery next in their brown-skinned physician. Service committee projects, the sary, half a block from the farm Largest in City Interne in Industry unit is open to.

The organization had its indirect beginnings during the War of River and Marshall St., Callowhill They serve as attendants, cottage supervisors, recrebeginnings during the War of River and Marshall St., Callowhill They receive regular salaries, and live in employee' guerters.

Probably the biggest surprise supervisor at New Jersey State Re-

for white adults comes when they formatory.

Dr. H. V. Richardson, Tuskegee Chaplain, One of Many Speakers at Rural Life Council

retary, was Dr. H. V. Richardson, lands. kegee institute. With a Ph. D. plan to start a church to working degree from Drew university, for community improvement.

widely acclaimed for his efforts in schools designed to improve Hampton institute, and nine years conditions among Negroes in rural agent in Arkansas, said:

Tuskegee Chaplain Keynoter

"When agriculture declines in a provention of the church sufficient for rural ministers, was ministers, was ministers and the sum, and the rural fields will blossom as the rural fields will blossom as the rural agent in Arkansas, said:

Tuskegee Chaplain Keynoter

ministers from three states, Tex- Officers of Council ministers from three states, Texministers of the council were:

WAVELAND, Miss.—Of the six million colored persons living in the rurals of the South, only a little more than two and half million are church members. Dr. Harkey, Richardson, chaptain at Tuskege, Ala. Institute, said at the Rural Life Council here last week. The Rt. Rev. R. N. Brooks, president; Dr. M. T. J. Howard, dean; Rev. R. W. Calvin, pianist, and publication from Texas, Mississippi, and Louisiana. Group diskege, Ala. Institute, said at the Rural Life Council here last week. Church, The Family, and The Ministry," and "The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Program for the Local Church and The Ministry," and "An Adequate Pr

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In morning messages, devotions, opening or closing devotions, addresses or ser. Dr. J. S. Scott is area secretary.

L. Holland, C. M. Webb, J. H. Dr. Richardson in preaching on God Is Within the rural combination of the closing sermon, revealed that there is still in the rural combination of reverse in assisting the rural conditions as well as those in the urban alack of religion in the rural combination of religion and reverse of ministers as well as those in the urban development of religion as well as those in the rural combination of religion and reverse of ministers as well as those in the rural combination of religion in the rural combination of religion and reverse of ministers as well as those in the rural religion and reverse of ministers as well as those in the rural combination of religion and reverse of ministers as well as those in the rural religion as well

Among other things, Dr. Richardson said: "the word 'Rural' refers to communities having 2,500 fers to communities having 2,500 for solution or less. About 6,000, consequence of the South, with about 2,700,000 the shortage of minister Cooperatives were stressed as soft in the rural first of respective to the standard of the standard

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"Bishop Brooks has shown an unalterable determination to improve the lives of the rural peo-WAVELAND, Miss. — Among Cornelius King, information of in the city. He believes thoroughthe speakers who highlighted the ficer, Farm Credit Administrally that a large part of this improvement is the responsibility of the Memory and the ministers of the New Orleans week, by Bishop R. N. Brooks, improving the economic life of area. The Rural Council was held resident bishop of the New Or a rural community. He said: "Co- that men might have life and that leans area of the Methodist operatives will solve the econom- they might have it more abunchurch, Central jurisdiction, as areas and at the same time de attended, was expressed assursisted by Dr. J. S. Scott area sec-velop leadership and conserve ance, that through such media as the Rural Life Council, the rufor 12 years chaplain and direc- Dr. M. T. J. Howard, dean of ral sections of the New Orleans tor of religious activities at Tus-the council, presented an easy area may be lifted to their prop-kegee institute. With a Ph. D. plan to start a church to working er heights in the sun, and the

ral areas, and who conducts "When agriculture declines in a schools for rural ministers, was rural community, the church suffers in the loss of members and the morning sermon, Sunday, on the theme, "The Kingdom of God Is Within You." When agriculture declines in a schools for rural ministers, was rural community, the church suffers in the loss of members and the theme, "The Kingdom of God Is Within You." When agriculture declines in a schools for rural ministers, was rural community, the church suffers in the loss of members and sloo loss of financial support. Rural chempton of God Is Within You." When agriculture declines in a schools for rural ministers, was rural community, the church suffers in the loss of members and sloo loss of financial support. Rural Churches Seek to Improve Standard Methodists Seek to Improve Seek to Improve Seek to

Jat. 4 (ANP Photo). Rev. Owen A. Troy, former Chicago minister, now pastoring in Pasadona, Cal., has been appointed seccolored department of the Pacific Union conference of Seventh Day Adventists. He will oversee He will oversee work in California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and Hawaii.



entist Interracial Church ctive Covenant Fight

The Lake Union Conference Asportation of Seventh Day Adventists want to buy a building at 3915 Lake Park ave.

The notorious Kenwood-Oakland property owners suspect that the Adventists intend to use the building as a church.

If the building is used as a

church, Negroes would atend it. So the property owners filed suit against the Seventh Day Ad-The law firm of Lipman and

of the suit, contending that the

ment of the United States Constitution, the state constitution and the criminal code.

against Harry and Isaac Cohen, organized in Chicago, New York, Institutions were represented by owners of property at 544 W. 60th Washington, Nashville and Atlanta. pl., this week, fearful that they intend to sell the property to Ne-

Such a sale would violate a 1928 pact to keep Negroes out of the area between 60th an olst sts., Normal blvd. and the Chicago and Western Indiana Ballroad Co.

Rev. Troy leaves for Washington

of Pasadena's Sunset Ave. church All were sent to the west coast of and director of the Sweet Charlot Africa. Another minister, the Rev. Speaks here to Hour broadcast left this week to Donald B. Simons and his family, Sunset Coast the Pacific Union Content appointment to Sierre On a tour of West Coast there, to Texas.

iot Hour will be heard at its usual much democracy in time (Saturdays, 6:30-7:00 p.m., religion for the restrictive cove-KXLA, 1110 kcys.). The Rev. W. C. Webb, of San Bernardino, will

ne Progress

By LOUIS B. REYNOLDS The law firm of Lipman and Lochtan, defending the church group, made a motion for dismissal ed their 45th general conference session last week at Takoma 2000. park near the nation's capital. Over 800 regular delegates were suit did not apply to a religious park near the nation scapital. Over 500 regular delegates were corporation, and that its applica- in attendance representing all parts of the habitable globe. New Section 1988. tion would violate the 14th amend- gro delegates were present from Inter-America and the British West Indies as well as from the United States.

Wartime Gains president, the South Atlantic conpresident, the first general conference ference, Atlanta. 5 4. 7. 6. 46

Court by Judge John P. McGoorty.
The covenant suit was filed by H.
E. Raymond, attorney in numerous suits for the Kenwood and Oakland area property owners.
The covenantists also filed suit against Harry and Isaac Cohon.

E. Nelson was reelected as treasur-sociation. 5 .. 7. 6.46 er. There are some 250 Negro churches within the United States A petroleum authority predicts with a membership of 19,008.

ists since 1941. They are the Rev. take advantage of improved fuels. The Rev. Owen 1. Troy, paster of Pasadena's Sunset Ave. church and director of the Sweet Charlot Africa. Another minister, the Rev. Speaks here fooday.

Nathaniel Banks and family, the Rev. 7th Day Adventist leader Prof. and Mrs. Phillip Giddings. In the Rev. 5 Charlot Africa. Another minister, the Rev. 5 Charlot Africa. Another minister, the Rev. 5 Charlot Africa. Simons and his family. Nathaniel Banks and family, the

nightly. He is also a member of eastern conference, New York; the Bernardino, and at the Compton the North American Radio Complete Rev. H. Wagner, president, the Alave. church here. He will be inspired the Rev. H. Wagner, president, the Alave. church here. He will be inspired to the Rev. Mr. Troy ave. Church here. He will be inspired to the Rev. Mr. Troy ave. Church here. He will be inspired

Washington, Nashville and Atlanta.
The Rev. J. L. McElhaney, liberal
Adventist leader, was reelected to wood college, Huntsville, Ala.; H. D. the post of president for the world Dobbins, and Dr. J. M. Cox, Riverconference. The Rev. E. D. Dick side Sanitarium and L. B. Reywas retained as secretary, and W. nolds, the Southern Publishing as-

rith a membership of 19,008.

It was also noted, that three Ne-consumption per car within the next gro missionaries and their families few years as engines are designed to have been sent out by the Advent-

send back telegraphic reports L. H. Bland, president of the North-congregations in San Diego, San ertson, recently from Jamaica, in ightly. He is also a member of eastern conference, New York; the Bernardino, and at the Compton British West Indies.

represent the facific Union Conference at a World Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to be held in Washington, D. C., June 5- among Negro Adventists is the erection of Seventh-day Adventists. Rev. Peters, highest ranking Negro Representing Negro work in California, Anizona, Nevada, Utah, and the Hawaiian Islands, the Rev. Peters has charge of the church work among Negro Adventists publish their Message (Saturday), 11 a.m. at Wadsworth this Morth America, will speak today Adventists, and the Hawaiian Islands, the Rev. Peters has charge of the church work among Negro constituency in ings of the North American Colored Department, and, as press representative for the west coast, send back telegraphic reports L. H. Bland, president of the North-congregations in San Diego, San British West Indies.

Ave. church, and the Sweet Char- Nashville; and H. D. Singleton, next week to speak in Bakersfield, work to date has been the new

Strange Orgiastic Sects in the South

whites so easily aroused? Be-set. In Knoxville recently a local use they are, if anything, more newspaper dared to throw all of insecure than the Negro. On their these fanatical sermonizers off the uneconomic farms the share-air with the result that 20,000 peocroppers, tenant farmers or dayple gathered in front of the radio laborers of the South lead a life station, to denounce the paper for of desiccating hardship. They are having insulted God. The police as much in need of understanding were helpless. G = 20 - 6 as the Negro. Yet they rarely get. The Friedrich Gethelie Mathe as the Negro. Yet they rarely get The Episcopal, Catholic, Methit because they are inarticulate, odist and Baptist churches are and full of resentment toward a aware of the problem but as yet society which has made them poor, seem to have found no way of the wisless than the wisless the wisless the wisless the wisless the wisless the wisles socety which has made them poor, seem to have found no way of ignorant and shiftless. The Negro breaking the power of the violent has powerful national organiza-hate disseminating, spell-binding tions to protect him. The poor preachers over the mass of poor whites in the South have had white Southerners. Quoting "Christ nothing but sentimental tears and our country," these sects wept over them.

Aside from the excellent out and the economically destitute. It too limited program of the Farmhas been estimated that 10 to 12 Security Administration, nothing million, nearly the results of the power of the violent disseminating, and the power of the violent has powerful national organization. Security Administration, nothing million people throughout the has been done about this major South receive their only moral and agricultural problem. Whenever spiritual guidance from these vathe Bureau of Agricultural Eco-grant preachers and exotic sects. nomics has explained the reasons Nothing can stem this fanatical for their poverty it has been religious mass movement among sharply criticized in the Senate the poor whites or their acute and its budget reduced. These hatred of the Negro, except better agricultural proletarians are as education, better health measures deeply dissapsifed as the noor and a decent wage scale. white and Negro veterans. A Orgies for the Million dangerous ferment akin to a Orgies for the Million

dangerous ferment akin to a mounting revolution is abroad in our land, of which the major industrial strikes from which our nation is suffering are but fore-orgiastic new religious sects" have grown. runners. If the agricultural so enormously in the South of late, and laborers of the country had the that they have become a dominant elegood fortune to be organized, they, ment in many rural regions. The wife of too would be on strike. As it is, the Washington Post's publisher, who rethey are carrying on a sitdown cently made a tour of seven Southern strike of major proportions. States, was told that from 10,000,000 to Rather than accept the low agricultural wages of the South, many of them, both veterans and former their only moral and spiritual guidance warworkers, are living upon their from these vagrant preachers and exotic inemployment compens a tion sects." Rechmend which Mrs.

while farmers everywhere are complaining of labor shortage.

The millions of poor Southern whites bereft of economic, social and moral support, are turning, in great masses, toward rabble-rousling preachers who use their hatred feel for the Negro.

Aside from the which which was a society as Aside from the control of the hatred which in the society as Aside from the control of the negro.

toward the Negro and society as Aside from the fact that this should After traveling through seven serious consideration to the possibility Southern States, the orgiastic new that this group could be a lush field of operations development than the revival of the KKK. On one stretch a whole for their own purposes cause thoughtful Southerners to give

revival of the KKK. On one stretch of road about 11 miles long, I saw established churches.

10 churches belonging to these "We feel welcome in our church," said "sects," all of them jammed while people of all sorts of queer sects to me the older traditional churches are again and again, Mrs. MEYER writes. "In

the older traditional churches are again and again, Mrs. Meyer writes. "In half empty. In some of these serv-those other churches they don't want us ices snake-handlers let poisonous because we haven't any money or good reptiles bite them to prove that faith can conquer anything. "We feel welcome in our church," said people of all sorts of queer sects to me again and again. "In those thrown out before. Literally millions of other churches they don't want poor Southerners are flocking into small us because we haven't any money sects, where they are being filled with other character any money sects, where they are being filled with or good clothes." On the road I warped views of society, with fantastic encountered sound trucks decorat- religious notions, and with race hatred. ed with Bible quotations blaring Here are not only the ingredients of a from a loud speaker jazz tunes to first-class social explosion, but here which new rabble-rousing, sup-

would seem to be likewise prima facie evidence that the established churches are failing in some of their greatest responsibilities. What do they propose to do about it?

ascist Group Tries o Snare Negro Pastors DETROIT, Dec. 17 (FP).—Spiritual Mobilization, Inc.,

Manufacturers, is especially active zation have appeared not only in renow among Negro ministers but ligious papers like the Christian not with complete success.

Hartford Ave. Baptist church, a rec- like Gerald B. Winrod's Defend ognized leader in Detroit's Negro ministry, showed the spiritual mobilizer the door when he was visiting Hill came close to election to the Detroit City Council in 1945 with strong labor indorsement,

The emissary from the Los Angeles headquarters was the Rev. I. K. Merchant. Merchant admitted having used Hill's name without Hill's knowledge. He admitted that his work is on a Jimcrow basis, exclusively among Negro clergymen, who are not to be mingled with any white ministerial supporters.

"Christianity does not draw the color line among God's children," the Rev. Mr. Hill told Merchant. Nor does it promote anti-labor propaganda as you are doing. Nor does it make use of other people's good name without their consent. I have no use for your organization's principles or methods." And Merchant was given the gate.

Nevertheless Merchant's harvest among Negro pastors in Detroit was considerable. His pledge cards state that pastors signing "understand there are no financial obligations." Other people understand that Spiritual Mobilization gets its funds from members and sympathizers with the National Association of Manufac-turers. In fact Ellsworth Ross of Spiritual Mobilization said in 1944 that its money came from "selected American businessmen."

Bait held out by Merchant to Negro clergymen was the statement that five Negro ministers would be put into the field soon on a fulltime basis. Detroit ministers were given to understand, without actually being promised, that they had a good chance of being among those chosen. Wed. 12-18-46
The Detroit Council of Applied

Religion, of which the Rev. John Miles is head, says: "Spiritual Mobilization stands revealed, on the basis of its own literature and its own backers, as the spearhead of reaction in the religious field just as its big brother, the NAM, is in the economic and political field."

The paid ads of Spiritual Mobili-

the anti-Roosevelt propagairda corporation among Protestant preachers, with close ties to the National Association of Century of Chicago but also in no-The Rev. Charles A. Hill of the torious anti-Jewish publicative

Youth For Christ Called Front For Fascist Baiters

Seeking Jim Crow Negro Memberships

BY FRANK MARSHALL DAVIS

chicago—(ANP)—Is the new Youth for Christ movement an earnest religious effort? Or is it a smoothly directed fascist front organization, backed under cover by some of the nation's leading race and religious baiters?

also called attention to the fascist

According to Bishop G. Ashton nature of Youth for Christ. Its Oldham, noted liberal prelate of November bulletin stated:

the Albay, N. Y., Episcopal diocese, wouth for Christ, is actually been directly in character, anti-Cath-credited people who have spoken at their meetings. Evidence is accumulating that indicates considerable from the Bev. Claude Williams, and the Bev. Claude Williams, one of the Peoples Institute of Applied Religion with neadquar-the pre-Pearl Harbor America 1st committee. Their sudden switch to the nation's most fearless one of the pre-Pearl Harbor America 1st committee. Their sudden switch to millionaire owner of several industrial plants in Georgia and dustrial plants in Georgia and the notorious Gerald L. K. dedicated a \$100,000 office puilding at Vicksburg, Miss., to which many officials were invited.

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and similar committees. The Mississippian, according to Rev. Williams, is notoriously anti-labor, anti-Negro and promotes a Pauline theology which is anti-Semitic.

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